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Lebanon seeks aid

Lebanon appeals to the Food and Agriculture Organization for emergency aid to feed more than half a million refugees for the next six months as the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) has said that the Israelis are holding up supplies for the refugees of Tyre and Sidon.—Page 4

Tibet refused autonomy

The Foreign Ministry in Peking says it will not give Tibet the same autonomy and virtual independence it has promised to Nationalist China (Taiwan).—Page 11

U.S. budget plan

House and Senate negotiators have agreed to the \$769.8 billion compromise budget plan, leaving it to the two chambers of Congress, the House of Representatives and the Senate, whether to approve the package of goals and targets for congressional panels to follow.—Page 12

Oil price rise ruled out

British Petroleum chairman says oil-producers would probably hold prices at current levels well into the next year unless there were major new problems in the Middle East.—Page 13

Italy drops another point

Italy paid dearly for its over-defensive tactics and allowed Peru to snatch a point in its second Group 1 World Cup finals clash. The teams drew 1-1 and left the group wide open. Northern Ireland also grabbed a point of fancied Yugoslavia in its Group Five tie.—Page 15.

Reagan disappears

President Reagan's failure to respond to a Soviet pledge not to be the first to use nuclear weapons in war, during his address to the U.N. General Assembly session on disarmament, disappoints many U.N. delegates.—Page 20

Move to halt dollar's surge

LONDON, June 18 (R) — Major central banks acted Friday but with only limited success to slow the advance of the dollar, now at its highest overall level in 12 years.

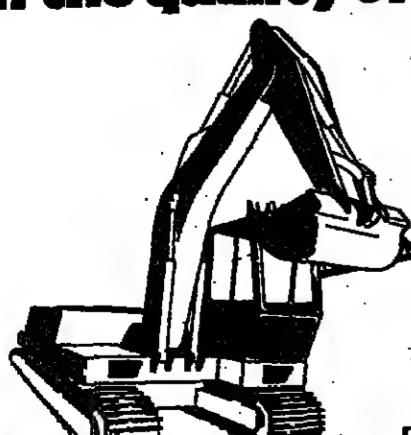
In what looked to many foreign exchange traders like a concerted attempt to dampen enthusiasm for the dollar, central banks in West Germany, Switzerland and Japan moved into nervous markets to blunt the U.S. currency's persistent strength. In Zurich, dealers reported that for the first time this year the Swiss National Bank sold dollars to protect the Swiss Franc, a sign of the growing alarm about the dollar's continued gains due to the firmness of U.S. interest rates.

And there was mounting speculation that the United States itself may have decided that the dollar has gone too far and reversed its policy of staying out of the markets. In Tokyo, the Bank of Japan spent an estimated \$100 to \$150 million to help the yen, which plunged to a 26-month low of 257.15 yen before recovering to 251.30.

Despite Friday's efforts by the Japanese Central Bank, which brought estimates of its spending to more than \$2 billion in June alone, the yen later fell again in London to 255.30, down almost 17 percent since the start of the year.

Other central bank maneuvers met with similar results. Dealers interpreted the relatively small amounts spent in European markets as a sign that the authorities felt powerless to reverse the dollar's upward direction, but were determined to keep the markets from turning chaotic.

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Successor to be named

Galtieri ousted in coup

BUENOS AIRES, June 18 (R) — Argentina's military rulers Friday considered who should replace President Leopoldo Galtieri after he was ousted in a palace coup which left the formal conclusion of the Falkland Islands still undecided.

A somber Gen. Galtieri told reporters Thursday night: "I am leaving because the army did not give me the political support to continue as army commander and president of the nation."

But the man who led Argentina to defeat in the bloody 74-day conflict left without formally accepting a cessation of hostilities and, according to a military source, even refusing to endorse the terms of his forces' surrender in the battle for the islands' capital on Monday.

The sources said the army's senior generals demanded their commander's resignation after he opposed a majority advocating formally ending hostilities and switching Argentina's claims to sovereignty over the Falklands back to diplomacy.

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General Cristina Nicolaides, a staunch

Argentina to accept POWs

LONDON, June 18 (Agencies) — Britain was given a guarantee Friday of safe passage for British ships to return Argentine prisoners from the Falkland Islands directly to Argentina, the Foreign Office said.

A spokesman said the ships were expected to sail later in the day for the Argentine harbor of Puerto Madryn carrying some 5,500 prisoners taken when the Argentine garrison on the islands surrendered to British forces Monday.

Meanwhile, two Argentine hospital ships, the *Bahia Paraiso* and the *Almirante Irizar*, were to head for Port Stanley to pick up wounded soldiers and prisoners at the Falklands capital, the spokesman said.

However, a spokesman for Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Britain was yet to receive as assurance that Argentina considered hostilities — which began with the

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Coinciding with Fahd's accession

Big gas well discovered

JEDDAH, June 18 (SPA) — The Arabian-American Oil Company (Aramco) has made an extremely important discovery of low-sulphur gas well with an estimated daily production of about 50 million cubic feet, a spokesman at the Ministry of Oil and Mineral Resources said here Thursday.

He said that completion of the discovery took place on Monday, coinciding with the first day of pledges of loyalty made by the people to the country's new monarch, King Fahd. The discovery was made in the Haradh region of Al-Ghawwar oilfield, which is considered to be the biggest in the world, he added.

The spokesman explained that gas was found at a depth ranging from 12,000 to

15,500 feet.

In its 1981 report released in May, Aramco announced encouraging oil in two locations, discovering four new productive reservoirs of oil and exceeding two areas of deep natural gas, all in existing fields.

The report said that natural gas liquids (NGL) exports during 1981 reached a record 164 million barrels, reinforcing the Kingdom's place as the world's biggest exporter. Saudi Arabia also is the leading exporter of petroleum. Aramco's production of crude oil last year amounted to 3.5 billion barrels.

Crude oil proved reserves were increased by more than three billion barrels and gas reserves by two trillion standard cubic feet during the past year, the annual report stated.

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JEDDAH, June 18 — An exhibition displaying important studies on planning the central part of Jeddah, the Haram surroundings Makkah, a tourism project for Hada, near Taif, and other public facilities has been organized by King Abdul Aziz University's college of engineering.

The exhibition, inaugurated by Jeddah Mayor Muhammad Saeed Farsi last week, also included an ideal wedding hall, environmental designing and a pilgrimage research center.

Al-Madinah quoted Farsi Friday as saying that the municipality will finance the establishment of the ideal wedding hall which will

be rented to the public at nominal fees. The move is part of the "state's efforts to help those wishing to get married," the mayor said. The hall will be ideal in design and construction as to reflect happiness and gaiety.

Farsi commended the organization of the exhibition saying that it was one of the best he had seen by local universities. He hoped that the studies presented, covering Jeddah, Madinah, Taif and Jizan, will be utilized. The university had despatched a team to study the situation in Jizan and a comprehensive report has been handed to the mayor. Farsi will submit the report to the minister of municipal and rural affairs.

visit to Washington this week, and reportedly said the PLO wants U.S. recognition followed by a mutual recognition with Israel.

The main remaining obstacle to a halt in fighting was uncertainty over how the PLO would respond to the Israeli ultimatum that it leave Beirut. The Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, one of the PLO's member groups, denounced a request by Sarkis for the departure of the Palestinian and Syrian troops from Lebanon. It said Lebanese nationalists, the PLO and Syria itself had rejected it.

There was no Syrian confirmation of the Democratic Front's statement, which was issued from its headquarters in Damascus.

Sarkis, who lives under Israeli occupation, and who refuses to give the order to the Lebanese Army to respond to the Israeli invasion ... no longer has the means to ... demand the (Syrians') departure or oppose the Palestinian presence in Beirut," the statement said.

The PLO chairman Yasser Arafat said Thursday the battle of Beirut is only beginning, and his commandos will make it "the

Galtieri

after the performance of his pilots in the fighting against Britain's South Atlantic task force, would be first in line if the rotation alternative was chosen, the sources said.

But they added that if the junta decided to go back to the system in force before Geo. Galtieri ousted his predecessor, Roberto Viola, the most favored candidates would be general Saint Jean and Foreign Minister Nicario Mendez.

An early indication of Argentina's future approach on the Falklands came Thursday night when it agreed to ferry its troops back from the islands in a joint operation with Britain under International Red Cross auspices. But diplomatic sources said it was too early to say whether this was a move toward ending the undeclared state of war.

According to military sources, Gen. Galtieri's position started to deteriorate rapidly Tuesday night when he reacted to the fall of the last Argentine stronghold in the islands with a tough speech in which he held out the possibility of further military action. Without mentioning the word "surrender", he said it was up to Britain to negotiate the islands' sovereignty with Argentina or face a deepening conflict and that any sign of defeatism would be considered treason.

"He meant that either one was with him or was a traitor," one source said. As Gen. Galtieri recorded his speech for the television cameras, police used tear-gas, rubber bullets and batons to disperse a demonstration in the capital by 7,000 people demanding guns to fight the British.

Stalingrad of the Arabs." Arafat's defiant message was issued by the Palestine Agency WAFA Thursday as politicians tried to avert a violent showdown in the city between the two sides.

Militant Commando leader George Habash called a news conference at his headquarters on Corniche Mazraa Avenue, barely 200 meters from the commercial quarter, to declare his defiance of the Israelis. The PLO "will never lay down its arms, under no terms, that is impossible," Habash said. "It is a dream in (Israeli Premier Menachem) Begin's head."

"The enemy is trying to make it appear as if we are finished, as if he had won the battle," Habash said. "Our point of view is totally different. Our main aim is to make the battle endure and make the enemy's losses as high as possible, and to go on fighting until the Arab world and the world progressive forces will face up to their responsibilities."

He expressed his disappointment at the half-hearted support the PLO has received thus far from other Arab countries and the Soviet Bloc, and added: "I cannot imagine that they will stand still after the Beirut battle starts and they notice our steadfastness. I am sure we will be steadfast for weeks."

Meanwhile, in Cairo, Kamal Hassan Ali told press conference he had told President Reagan that the PLO wants to start a dialogue with the United States. The message was conveyed to Reagan during Ali's visit to Washington this week.

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Local paper asserts

Kingdom not indifferent on aggression

RIYADH, June 18 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia will not remain indifferent about aggression against Arabs, a local newspaper said Friday. The aggression is taking place with America's "encouragement or blessing," the Arabic-language *Okez* asserted.

Commenting on the Saudi stand toward the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, the paper said the position outlined by King Fahd to U.S. Vice-President George Bush during his visit to the country comes in harmony with the international will as expressed in the U.N.

Security Council resolutions.

These called for Israel's withdrawal from all Lebanese territory, it noted, adding that America should be aware of the fact that the Lebanese and Palestinians are the victims of Zionist contentions and that an Israeli victory in Lebanon is tantamount to a victory against Soviet weapons.

Under the leadership of King Fahd, the Kingdom will continue the march which began during the regime of the late King Abdul Aziz who unified the country, the

paper said. "This march permanently asserts the independence of our country and the Gulf, Arab and Islamic states of any superpower through all means," it added.

"This does not mean remaining indifferent over the aggression befalling the Arabs through America's encouragement or blessing," it said. The Kingdom was quite clear when it notified the U.S. vice-president that America should be responsive and seek immediately the implementation of U.N. resolutions calling for a ceasefire and instant withdrawal of Israeli troops.

Kuwait funds mosque

ISLAMABAD, June 18 (SPA) — Kuwait is building a grand mosque in Islamabad's diplomatic enclave at a cost of \$3.5 million. Work on the mosque for Muslim and Arab diplomats was inaugurated here Thursday.

The mosque covering an area of 6,000 square feet, is expected to be completed within nine months. The Kuwaiti mosque will be the second Mosque to be built with Arab donations in Islamabad.

The great King Faisal Mosque, which is being built with a Saudi Arabian donation of \$35 million, will be one of the biggest in the world when completed. During a visit to Pakistan in 1966, the late King Faisal promised to build the central mosque in Pakistan's new capital.

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Forgers, bribees sentenced to jail, fines and extradition

JEDDAH, June 18 — Three foreigners including an American, a Pakistani and a Filipino were sentenced to varying jail terms and fines for forgery and bribery, according to an Interior Ministry report.

According to *Al-Nada* newspaper, U.S. national Franklin Martin Kis was convicted by the Board of Grievances for bribery. Investigation disclosed that Kis, an engineer working for HOK Company now supervising a project of King Saud University, received an amount of money as a bribe from the company involved in implementing the project.

Convicted under the bribery and fraud law, he was sentenced to three years in jail

and a fine of SR60,000. A royal decree was issued approving the sentence which includes his extradition after ending his term in jail and place him on the list of those barred from entering the Kingdom.

Meanwhile, Saifdar Ali Lal Khan, a Pakistani, was found guilty of forgery and received a one-year jail term and a SR1,000 fine. He was convicted of entering the Kingdom with a forged passport.

Micario Doten Sossa, a Filipino, forged the signature of a colleague. He was arrested and convicted by the Board of Grievances for forgery. Sentenced to one year in jail, he will be extradited and barred from entering the country again.

Muslim man invents Makkah pointer

LONDON, June 18 (SPA) — A special electronic gadget which will enable a Muslim to find the direction of Makkah at any time and from anywhere in the world has been developed by a British firm.

The gadget, called the 'Makkah-link,' is the brain-child of a Muslim, I. Husain, of Reem Electronics. It is so compact that it can

fit into a pocket and is remarkably cheap — less than £15.

An indicator on the dial is turned to give the Muslim's exact position. Then the instrument automatically beams on to Makkah and gives a bleep when it is accurately located.

King gets more condoling cables

RIYADH, June 18 (SPA) — King Fahd received Thursday cables of condolences from the Governor General of Barbados Sir Deighton Ward, Niger's President Hussein Kountche, Guinea Bissau President Joao Bernardo Vieira, Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev, Luxembourg's Grand Duke Jean, Austria's President Dr. Rudolf Kirchschläger and Belgium's King Baudouin.

Other cables were received from Australia's Governor General Sir Zelman Cowen, Greek President Constantine Karmanlis, Malawi President Dr. Kamuzu Banda, Mauritius Acting Governor General Sir Dayindranath Burrenchobay, Gambian President Dawda Kairaba Jawara, Japanese Emperor Hirohito, Nationalist China President Chiang Ching-Kuo, Czechoslovakia's President Gustav Husak, Denmark's Queen Margrethe, Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi, South Korean President Chun Doo-hwan and Sweden's King Karl Gustaf.

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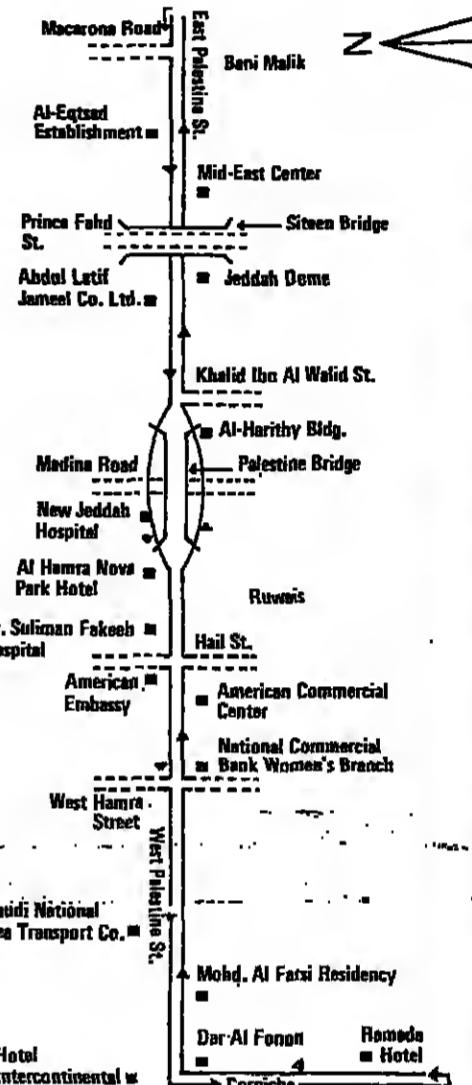
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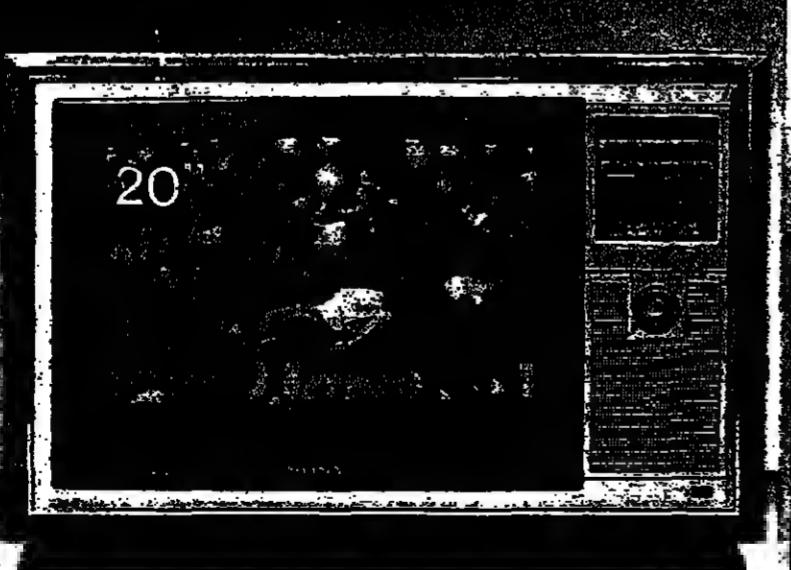
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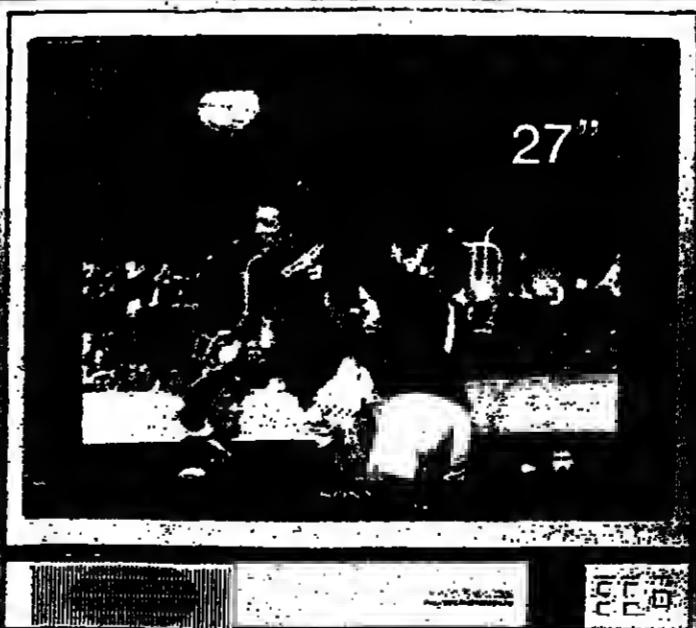


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As Israelis hold up supplies

Lebanon appeals for emergency aid

ROME, June 18 (Agencies) — Lebanon has appealed for emergency aid to feed more than half a million people for the next six months. The U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) said Friday.

Director-General Edouard Saouma, a Lebanese, called for a quick and generous response to help to feed the refugees and the homeless. "Heavy fighting and bombardments inside areas of South Lebanon including Beirut have caused large-scale dislocation with intense human suffering and have destroyed food stocks," Saouma said in a telegram to FAO donor countries.

"A large segment of the population has nothing left to depend upon... I strongly appeal to the international community to respond quickly and generously in cash or kind."

Meanwhile, the United Nations Relief and World Agency (UNRWA) has said Israel was holding up supplies for refugees in Lebanon's devastated port cities of Tyre and Sidon.

"We have applied for permission to send a convoy from our depot in occupied Jerusalem but so far the Israelis have refused to approve it," said John de Freis, acting director of UNRWA in Lebanon. De Freis told a press conference that his organization had 10,000 homeless people on its lists. "We have the names of 2,000 families and we multiplied this by five which may be an underestimate," he said.

He said his teams had been able to provide food and blankets to refugees in Palestinian areas on the southern outskirts of Beirut which have been heavily hit by the Israeli assault. Mobile medical teams visiting the refugees had reported that health hazards had been kept within manageable bounds. "The main problem is seables which is easily treatable," De Freis said.

In Athens, thousands of Greeks have given blood to help victims of Israeli invasion and thousands more are having to be turned away, a senior social services ministry official said. The official said offers of blood were

coming "in enormous numbers" at hospitals in Athens, the Salonic and Crete and at temporary transfusion centers throughout Greece.

An official of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) in Athens said he already received 5,000 gifts of blood and sent them to Beirut via Syria, but it had now asked the Greek authorities to stop accepting transfusions as it could no longer guarantee they would reach the Lebanese capital. The PLO official also said the organization had received generous contributions of money.

In Tokyo, Japan decided Friday to extend \$1 million in emergency aid for relief of war victims in Lebanon, a foreign ministry spokesman said. The decision was made in response to a humanitarian appeal for aid made by United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar. The aid money will be sent through the International Red Cross Society, the spokesman said.

In New Delhi, an effigy of Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin was burned outside the American Embassy late Thursday by demonstrators protesting the U.S. support of the Israeli invasion. The demonstrators removed their shoes and beat Begin's effigy with them before lighting the fire. Organizers included workers of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's ruling Congress party.

In Sandefjord, Norway, the Nordic countries' labor movement, concluding a three-day congress Thursday, strongly condemned Israel for its invasion. In a statement, the congress said the invasion was a clear breach of international law. It said Lebanon's independence was threatened.

In a joint declaration issued at the end of the visit of French President Francois Mitterrand to Austria, France and Austria called Thursday for withdrawal of Israeli troops from Lebanon. All other foreign troops should also leave Lebanon unless sanctioned by international agreement and the Beirut government, and Lebanese sovereignty should be restored, the joint statement said.

With Austrian President Rudolf Kirchschläger and Chancellor Bruno Kreisky, Mitterrand appealed for respect of the Palestinian people's legitimate rights, and guaranteed frontiers for all states in the area including Israel. "We demand that the security council's resolutions on the ceasefire and the withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon territory be respected," the declaration said.

At the United Nations, Cuellar reported to the Security Council Thursday that "Lebanon is asking that a U.N. peacekeeping force remain in that war-torn country, pending a beginning of concrete discussions." He acknowledged that "very wide, and very sharp differences of approach and emphasis" prevail.

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The Afghan resistance movements also have sent no one, either.

'Concrete talks'

on Afghanistan

start in Geneva

GENEVA, June 18 (AP) — Parties to the U.N. sponsored talks on reaching a comprehensive peace settlement in war-torn Afghanistan began "concrete discussions" Friday, still far from agreement on central issues, said a U.N. official on the private and indirect deliberations.

U.N. Undersecretary General Diego Cordovez, who has met separately since Wednesday with Pakistan and Afghan delegations said after the initial rounds, "we are at the beginning of concrete discussions." He acknowledged that "very wide, and very sharp differences of approach and emphasis" prevail.

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Habre to back OAU initiative on Chad

DAKAR, June 18 (AFP) — New Chadian leader Hissene Habre told Guinean he would like the inter-African peace force now being withdrawn from the central African state to stay in position for the time being.

In a message to Guinean President Ahmad Sekou Toure, Radio Conakry monitored here said, he also expressed support for any initiatives on Chad which might come from the Organization of African Unity.

Habre described the Guinean leader as a "big brother" and the leader of the "African revolution," and thanked him for his aid in seeking a solution to Chad's problems.

Iran, Libya want Syria to join Islamic army

TEHRAN, June 18 (Agencies) — Iran and Libya have discussed creating a joint Islamic army to fight the Israelis in Lebanon and are planning to ask Syria to join in. Prime Minister Mir Hossein Mussavi said over the radio here Friday.

Libya's second in command, Maj. Abdusalem Jaloud left Iran Friday after a week-long visit at the head of a strong delegation. Mussavi said that if the three nations reached an agreement on the project, "we will take an active part in the fighting in South Lebanon." He said Iranian forces were already in Lebanon "but this agreement puts a new light on the issue."

At Friday prayers, Parliament Speaker Hesameddin Hashemi Rafsanjani said the time had come to set up a "joint army of Muslims."

Meanwhile, Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati arrived in Damascus Thursday night at the head of a delegation, including high-ranking military officers.

The Syrian Arab news agency Sana said Friday Velayati had talks with Syrian officials but made no reference to their nature.

Iran, a staunch supporter of Syria and the

Police break up Cairo car-march

CAIRO, June 18 (AP) — Police charged into a crowd of several hundred people Friday night and broke up a car-march organized by leftist parties to protest U.S. and Israeli actions in Lebanon.

Police, dressed in plain clothes and carrying night-sticks, dragged away several would-be marchers and chased others down crowded streets near Al-Azhar Mosque, three kms east of downtown Cairo.

A crowd of several hundred had gathered at the mosque during the Friday prayers for a demonstration called by the opposition

Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), has pledged its full backing in their confrontation of Israel in Lebanon. Some 700 Iranian volunteers have arrived in Damascus the past few days to fight alongside them.

In Algiers, President Chadli Benjedid, in his closing speech to a meeting of the ruling National Liberation Front central committee, said Thursday Algeria was taking "concrete measures" to support the Palestinian resistance in Lebanon.

The official Algerian news agency said Chadli's speech Thursday night and the "final resolution of general policy" adopted by the committee focused on the situation in the Middle East, which the resolution called "the most serious trial (the Arab world) has ever known in its long history."

Summarizing the foreign affairs section of

the president's speech, the news agency said Chadli began by informing the committee of the concrete measures taken by Algeria to support the resistance of the Palestinian people and its brothers who are fighting alongside it in Lebanon against the Israeli invasion and also the attempt to impose an American-Zionist peace in the region."

The government refused to permit the march Thursday. But leftist sources said it had agreed to allow a few dozen members of a coordination committee to drive from the mosque to the presidential palace to deliver the demands.

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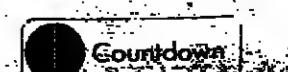
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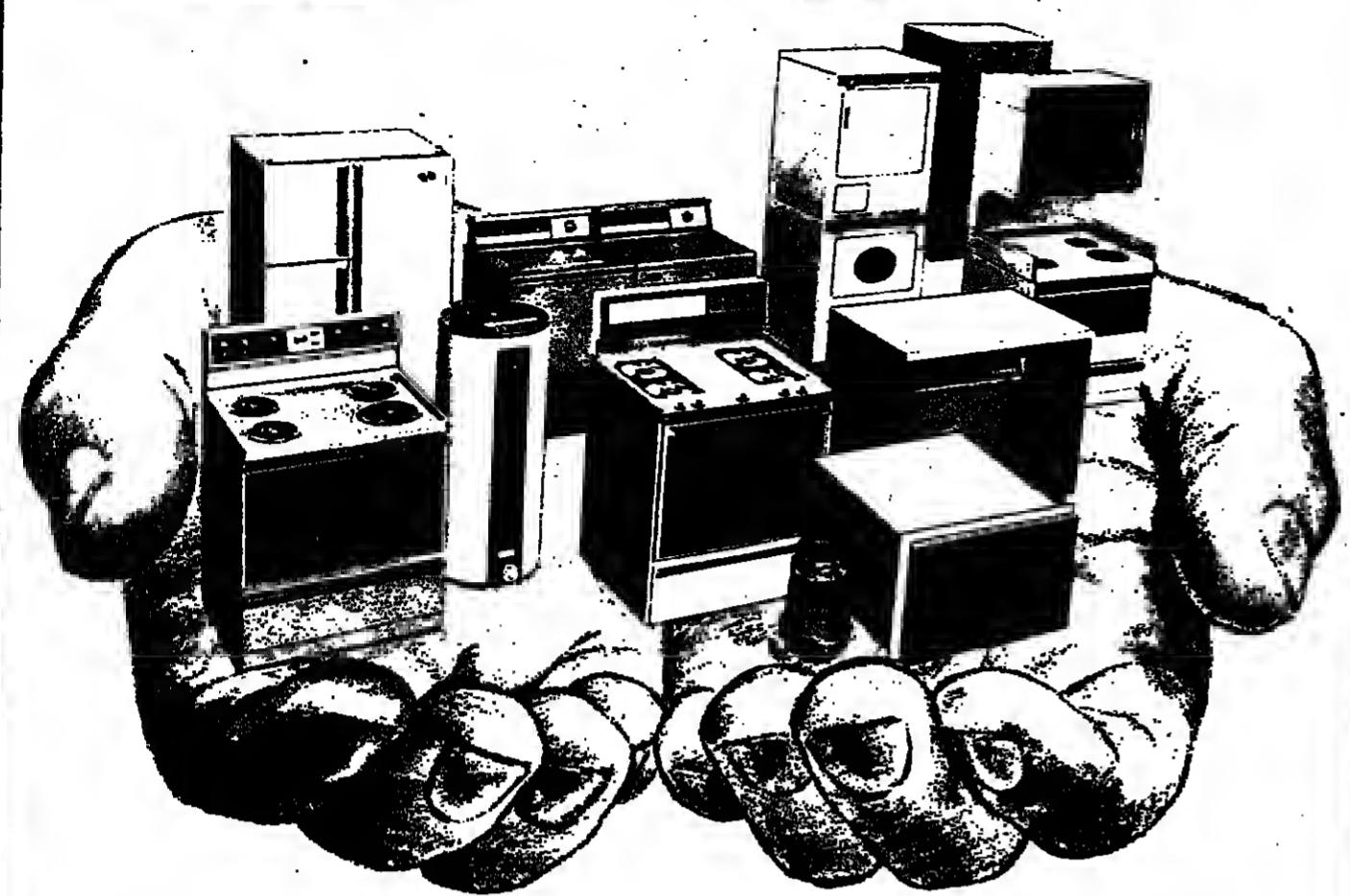


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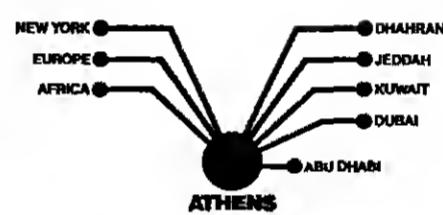
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U.S. ABANDONS TAIWAN

It is obvious now that the U.S. is preparing to abandon the Republic of China, Taiwan, in favor of the Communist mainland. The secret negotiations going on at present indicate that the U.S. will promise the Communists that it will not provide arms to the island fortress of Taiwan which at one time was described by McArthur as America's unsinkable aircraft carrier.

This will leave Taiwan without its principal arms supplier when its entire weapons structure is made up of and dependent on American arms and spares.

It is a difficult time for the Nationalists who have been struggling against some particularly heavy odds in recent years but have bravely weathered the storm so far. They must start thinking in terms of diversifying their arms resources by buying elsewhere although this is not going to be exactly cricket with the Communists threatening to downgrade their relations and reduce their trade with any country daring to sell arms to Taiwan. This was the case recently with the Netherlands when it sold submarines to the island.

Taiwan has reached an admirable stage of development which makes it on a par with many other developed or fast-developing states enabling it to make a great deal of its own defense requirements although not the highly sophisticated ones which only Western powers or the Soviet Union can provide.

Utilizing the Nationalist predicament, the Communists have floated the nine-point peace formula to woo Taiwan into the mainland sovereign umbrella which Taiwan Premier Sun Yut-suan has already rejected by challenging the mainlanders to resort to the people. He has called for the application of Sun Yut-sen's three principles of democracy, nationalism and the people's livelihood.

The mainlanders will be in a quandary if they agree to discuss these principles of the founder of modern China. True democracy will mean the death of communism because, despite all the gibberish, communism is antithetic to genuine popular rule and Poland is a glaring contemporary example.

If the Communists in Peking really want unification through popular will, they should be ready to sacrifice their ideology in the service of national unity. The Chinese, on both sides of the sea, will be the true beneficiaries of both democracy and unification.

Saudi Arabian press review

Friday's newspapers devoted their editorials to paying tribute to the late King Khaled and praising his successor King Fahd, saying the choice could not be better.

Al-Jazirah said: "The people of the Kingdom have chosen a successor and knew who should carry on the responsibility earlier shouldered by the late monarch to the end of his life."

"In the transition of power in Saudi Arabia, the world has witnessed a unique example of unity and cohesion among the people of the Kingdom," it added.

"The world leaders who had flocked to the country to pay their respects, on the one hand offering condolences on the passing away of King Khaled and on the other

congratulating King Fahd on his succession to the throne, provided the best proof of the high esteem enjoyed by Saudi Arabian leaders."

Al-Madina, recounting the late monarch's good qualities, said he was well known for his humility, care for the weak and poor and interest in the people's way of living.

"King Khaled's regime saw the spreading of good and prosperity throughout the country and was characterized by amity, security and peace," it added.

"It is accordingly not strange for the people to stand united in paying tribute to the late king and expressing grief over his death," *Al-Madina* said. (SPA)



Superpowers at odds over nuclear arsenals

By Mark Frankland

LONDON — The United States and the Soviet Union begin talks about strategic nuclear weapons on June 29 with little agreement between them on anything except that date.

Their basic disagreement is about whether the two sides' nuclear arsenals are equal. The Soviet Union says that while each has a different pattern of weapons—the USSR has more land-based missiles than the United States but far fewer submarine-launched warheads—the sum of equipment on both sides is roughly equal.

The United States, since President Ronald Reagan came to power, has argued that this is not so. The senior members of his administration charged with security matters insist that the Soviet Union has gone beyond parity.

How have the Russians done this if they have stayed within the limits for strategic weapons set by the SALT II treaty that former President Carter and Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev signed in 1979 and which the American Congress would not ratify, but which both countries have said they will for the moment abide by?

The answer goes to the heart of the forthcoming negotiations. The Reagan administration believes that by staying within what was permitted them under SALT I and II the Soviets have achieved a threatening advantage. The Soviet Union's land-based missiles could, thanks to their increased size and accuracy, deal a crippling first strike against America's land-based missiles—according to the Reagan experts.

In his speech in May at Eureka College the president suggested reducing the warheads carried by their land-based strategic weapons as a force that deters America from using its nuclear weapons, thus opening the way to Soviet gains in worldwide competition for influence between the superpowers.

The Soviet Union, Washington now argues, will use different means ranging from conventional forces provided by Cuban or Russian troops to less open methods such as terrorism and subversion. An America, with its land-based missiles vulnerable to a Soviet first strike, would only be able to sit and watch.

This interpretation of the state of the strategic balance explains the shape of President Reagan's negotiating offer.

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According to the article the Reagan proposal would result in a reduction of Soviet ICBM warheads by 50 to 60 percent, and most of the missiles themselves. The Americans, by contrast could actually increase the warheads on its ICBMs.

Some American strategists who are far from

doves have said that the American attempt to cut back the big Soviet ICBMs is unlikely to work because we're asking the Soviets to give up things they already have for things we don't have.

The Americans, in other words, are not offering a fair exchange.

But the attitude of the American administration is that their proposals would result in a fair and safer nuclear balance which the Soviets, though staying within SALT II limits, have threatened to some 20 percent for America, far greater cuts of

missiles are obviously being demanded of the Russians (though America, with more warheads, would make greater cuts of these).

The Americans would say that this is in the interests of real strategic stability because it is reducing the numbers of land-based missiles. The second stage of their proposal would be to limit the latter's size or 'throw-weight', making land-based missiles even less of a first-strike threat.

The American proposals, then, are very carefully designed to deal with the threat they insist is posed by the present Soviet ICBMs.

Another way of putting it is to say that the Soviets see their land-based strategic weapons as a force that deters America from using its nuclear weapons, thus opening the way to Soviet gains in worldwide competition for influence between the superpowers.

The Soviet Union, Washington now argues, will use different means ranging from conventional forces provided by Cuban or Russian troops to less open methods such as terrorism and subversion. An America, with its land-based missiles vulnerable to a Soviet first strike, would only be able to sit and watch.

This interpretation of the state of the strategic balance explains the shape of President Reagan's negotiating offer.

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According to the article the Reagan proposal would result in a reduction of Soviet ICBM warheads by 50 to 60 percent, and most of the missiles themselves. The Americans, by contrast could actually increase the warheads on its ICBMs.

Some American strategists who are far from

doves have said that the American attempt to cut back the big Soviet ICBMs is unlikely to work because we're asking the Soviets to give up things they already have for things we don't have.

The Americans, in other words, are not offering a fair exchange.

But the attitude of the American administration is that their proposals would result in a fair and safer nuclear balance which the Soviets, though staying within SALT II limits, have threatened to some 20 percent for America, far greater cuts of

Letter to the editor

Aims of Israeli invasion

Sir.

The current Israeli aggression against Lebanon is but part of a grand plan by the Zionist entity to subdue the will of the Arab people. It also aims at breaking the resistance of the heroic Palestinian freedom fighters. These Palestinians now not only have to fight the barbaric Israeli soldiers but also foil the machinations of its prime supporter, the United States which is totally responsible for the massacres in Lebanon. The United States has given Israel the green light through huge doses of arms and also, through Israel, America is using the area as a testing ground for new types of bombs and weapons.

It is now a well proved fact that U.S.-Israeli views and goals toward the Arabs are completely identical.

For how long can the Arabs tolerate such a situation? The United States and Israel know that their evil designs can easily be carried out as long as the Arab world is in disarray.

To foil them we have to unite and pay heed to the words of the late King Khalid Ibn Abd al-Aziz who called for total unity so that the Arab and Muslim nation will be able to overcome the challenges facing it, foremost among them are the evil plots of the Washington-Tel Aviv axis.

King Fahd and Crown Prince Abdullah are known for their determination to work for the well-being of the Ummah. King Fahd has always reiterated that there will be no peace in the Middle East until the Palestinians are given their legal rights.

The United States would do better to pay heed to these wise words.

Sincerely yours

Ali Al-Shehri
Imam Muhammad Ibn Saud University
Riyadh

By Michael Fathers

BANGKOK —

Kampuchea's ousted Khmer Rouge government published a map this month showing its forces in control of all but a small area east and southeast of Phnom Penh, the capital. The map was distributed among embassies and the press in Thailand as a picture of the military situation in Kampuchea on April 30, the traditional end of the dry season before monsoon rains inundate southern Vietnam, Kampuchea, Thailand and Burma.

For about five months, Vietnamese armed forces in Kampuchea, taking advantage of their dry season mobility, had been fighting an offensive against the opponents of the Heng Samrin government they installed in Phnom Penh in January 1979.

No one except the Khmer Rouge's unquestioning supporters took the map at face value. On the Thai-Kampuchean border, where the Khmer Rouge have their strongholds, an uneasy military stalemate continues. The Khmer Rouge say they were the victors of the dry season fighting, killing or wounding 37,372 Vietnamese and defeating Hanoi's forces on all fronts.

Colombia poised to lift martial law

By Timothy Ross

BOGOTA —

Columbia has been offered a democratic way out of decades of violence and instability. Two months before handing over to an elected successor, President Julio Cesar Turbay Ayala has announced the lifting of the state of siege in force most of the last 30 years and has offered the guerrilla armies a new chance to negotiate peace with honor.

Martial law and harsh emergency powers will end on June 30, after the last day of an offer of a general pardon for all rebels without records of serious crimes—as long as they turn in their guns.

Only three weeks ago most members of a presidential "Peace Committee" resigned when their recommendations for a total amnesty were rejected by the government.

Turbay's about-face followed a milestone presidential election on May 30, with a record turnout, and an exceptional absence of guerrilla sabotage, inter-party incidents or vote fraud—a demonstration that democracy can function in Colombia.

At the same time, the armed forces have reported a string of successes against the guerrillas, exterminating one extremist group responsible for assassinating an ex-cabinet minister, arresting all 18 members of a terrorist unit in the capital, and killing or capturing about 40 more in other parts of the country over the last month.

Although isolated attacks continue—two policemen were killed in a raid last week—the army seems confident it is gaining the upper hand. After two-and-a-half years of hearings, 106 members from the most troublesome guerrilla group, M-19,

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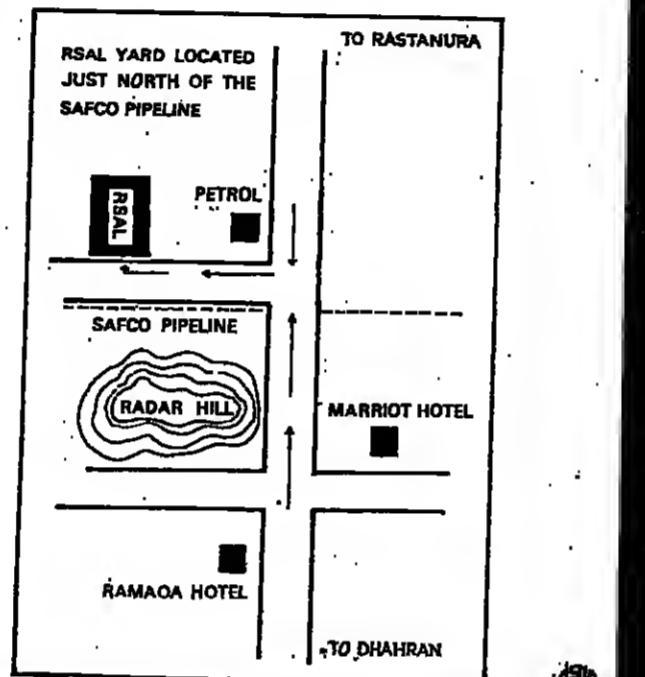
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Of surveys, numbers and statistics

By Y. Tahir

JEDDAH — Thanks to the ubiquitous institutions of surveys and opinion polls in the advanced and developed countries of the West, the man in the street — a mere mortal — discovers, and is thrilled by the discovery about what he is thinking at the moment. It can indeed be flattering for the ordinary people to know that they have their own opinions, particularly about those issues which have not even crossed their minds, or about those problems which don't concern them at all in their day-to-day living.

We live in the age of numbers, surveys, opinion polls and statistical data. The mass information has overwhelmed us, drowned us, and we are in danger of losing our identity, our individuality.

If not without a little pride in my own intellect and understanding that I have an opinion of my own regarding such purely academic issues as the mating habits of the mayfly, I am one with those who have no objection if a scholar is awarded a Ph.D. degree for conducting successful research on

the subject. Of those asked to give their views on the subject, 19½ percent favored the research, 23½ percent were against it. The rest were not sure about their own opinion, while 46 percent thought that the funds allocated were insufficient for the purpose. It might interest some to know that 5½ persons were interviewed: four adults two children and one infant — all from the same family, of course.

Regarding the theory that the earth will lose about one second in the next 60,000 years in its motion around the sun, 52 persons think that this will have an adverse impact on the predatory habits of the shy foxes, 43 percent think that this won't affect them in any way, the others don't know. Forty-nine percent consider that the time lag will influence their reflexes after 50 million years. Personally I don't quite recall what my own opinion on the subject was because I was never asked. However I have the consolation of knowing that now my opinion is one with the majority of the people.

Engulfed by percentages, figures, manipu-

lated facts and statistical data, people have lost the faculty for original thinking. Being told blatantly, unabashedly what is their opinion about a particular subject, it is supposed that they actually think what the opinion poll has decided for them. Has it ever occurred to the poll gatherers to conduct a survey on what the people think of these opinion polls?

It is difficult to trust the whole institution of numbers, but the percentages are really hard to swallow. Almost daily we read some report giving the percentages based upon the opinion of people belonging to "all walks of life." Or you get the views of a "cross-section of society."

The other day a report was published based upon a survey conducted by an American university. It tried to establish that 20 percent of the "educated Americans" are functionally illiterate. What does this mean, I fail to understand. Either a person is educated or uneducated, literate or illiterate, but more than common intelligence is required to grasp the full meanings of functional illiteracy! The study was carried on by a group of people about whose own level of functional literacy

or otherwise, we know little.

The study is also silent as to the manner the people replied to the questions asked: whether their replies were really their considered opinions or casual remarks made without any thought. If someone asks me in passing if I can read or write, I may in jest or anger reply that I don't even know how to spell my own name. And there the poll gatherer gets hold of a fact, works out his percentages and feeds the results to the number-hungry computer which comes out with the statistics showing how many people are functionally illiterate or otherwise. Suppose this person asked another four the same question and got different replies, but how on earth am I to find out that what I have said will be interpreted to mean the opinion of the 20 percent of the population!

The study goes on to say that two out of every ten Americans have trouble in reading road maps, understanding hotel menus or filling out the social security forms. (I'd be happy to add a few more forms to the list.) The report, of course, doesn't mention the fact that only ten persons may have been interviewed. But two out of ten is 20 percent and this percentage is applied without any hesitation to the rest of the population. Frankly, I feel admiration for those eight persons who found no trouble in understanding the often incomprehensible hotel menus or in filling out the lengthy forms answering a lot of unnecessary questions not only about themselves but about their relatives as well.

Filling out these forms is a physically tiring and laborious job, and most of the hundreds of questions that you have to answer seem to be an utter waste of time, especially when you are aware that nobody is really interested in your answers.

Surveys work out strangely. You pick out two persons out of ten, work out the percentage, and then apply it to the millions of people who are not even aware of the questions asked, or for that matter who are not even conscious of the existence of the problem.

One can, with justification, be wary and suspicious of the results of these surveys, where a casual remark becomes part of the overall percentage. Now how do they decide that the person they are talking to is representative of his class, community or country? Whatever somebody says is his own opinion and as he is not acting as a spokesman for anybody else, he has every right to modify his opinion later on.

All the well-considered replies or off-the-cuff utterances made within the keen hearing of the opinion collectors, become facts, which are fed to the computers and come out in the shape of magical numbers and statistical data. It is incomprehensible how do the opinions elicited from the few victims of these surveys get applied to those countless millions who are neither seen or heard. How is it possible to know their feelings, sentiments, needs and most important of all, aspirations, interests, beyond the



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Chinese culture trout

By Arjuna

MANILA, (Depthnews) — Sports fishermen love to tell the tale of the fish that got away. They describe the ferocity with which the fish takes the bait and the eventual struggle between man and fish.

Fish lines would grow taut and the waters filling zing as the fish tries to escape — until finally, man lands the fish. Or the fish gets away — and that is when the tall tale begins.

But the tale I am going to tell, is no tall tale.

It is about a temperate fish that, miracle of miracles, is now found in subtropical Asia. It is the trout of Nationalist China (Taiwan).

TROUT, as all complete anglers know, is one of the most prized freshwater fishes in the world. Not only is it devious, but its flesh is so delicate, so tender and almost boneless.

The fish can be steamed, smoked or eaten like Japanese salmon. It is rich in Vitamin D which helps body metabolism and promotes bone growth. The flesh is of prime quality and it brings honor to the host when served to guests.

Trout is a member of the salmon family which breed in endless cycles. They struggle against the currents and the rapids to reach the secluded waters to spawn. After spawning, the mother trout dies and her body becomes food for the young. The fingerlings swim downstream to lakes and even oceans, growing until their time comes to repeat the endless cycle.

But back to the trout, Taiwan is the only subtropical country today which has successfully cultured the trout. As early as 1918, a Japanese fisherman naturally stumbled a

meters above sea level.

The news surprised fishery experts all over the world. How could a fish of the temperate zone grow in subtropical Taiwan? But the evidence was there and the trout was named the Tachia trout.

But as the news spread, people began fishing the secluded streams — resulting in the depletion of stock. For a while, fish experts thought that the Tachia trout had become extinct. It took 60-year-old fishery expert Cheng Ming-neng to prove that this was not true at all.

He traveled to the most secluded areas of Taiwan, looking for the Tachia trout. Amid bone-chilling winds and rains, he dove in rivers looking for the elusive fish.

One day, he found three Tachia trout. Cheng was beside himself with joy; here was a fish that almost disappeared. The Tachia trout is the fish that almost got away.

Today, the Tachia trout is alive and well, thanks to the studies of Cheng. Today's trout in Taiwan, however, is the more common rainbow trout which was introduced from Japan.

The rainbow trout — so called because of the rainbow-colored band on the sides of the fish — is now contributing to the expansion of Taiwan's fishery resources. Up in Mating (meaning "Horse Mound") are 14 man-made fishponds, terraced like paddies.

This is Taiwan's first trout farm. Here the trout spawn and hatch their young. Fishermen's boats and lines are anachronistic in such a location, but the farm serves to ensure that the trout will continue to survive.

The trout will continue to survive.

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STOP KILLING YOURSELF

By Peter J.
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MEDICALETTERS
(Replies to and from readers):

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: What do you think about diet pills to reduce appetite — only for a few weeks? — Mrs. T.

Dear Mrs. T.: Like any bad habit, it's easier to begin; much harder to stop. Diet pills, like the amphetamines, for example, are only of temporary help.

Meanwhile, they may cause such reactions as rise in blood pressure, rapid heart beat, insomnia and nervousness. Old-fashioned will-power and good motivation are much more effective than a pill.

For Mr. H.: Although, as you know, I'm not known as an enthusiastic supporter of jogging, I hope you will not let it interfere with some advice I'd like to pass along to joggers.

It's not my advice: I'm simply relaying it from a recent article in the New England Journal of Medicine written by Drs. Morris I. Rossman and Roberto Carrejal. I happen to agree with it.

The doctors cite two cases of joggers who, as most do, jogged without identification. One, a young man who collapsed while jogging; another, struck from behind by a car. The only way they were identified was by help of radio, TV, daily papers and police.

The authors recommend that joggers wear a tag of identification: with name, address, phone number, personal health history and list of allergy problems.

This makes good sense. Even for those of us who are fully dressed and carrying such information in our wallets or handbags.

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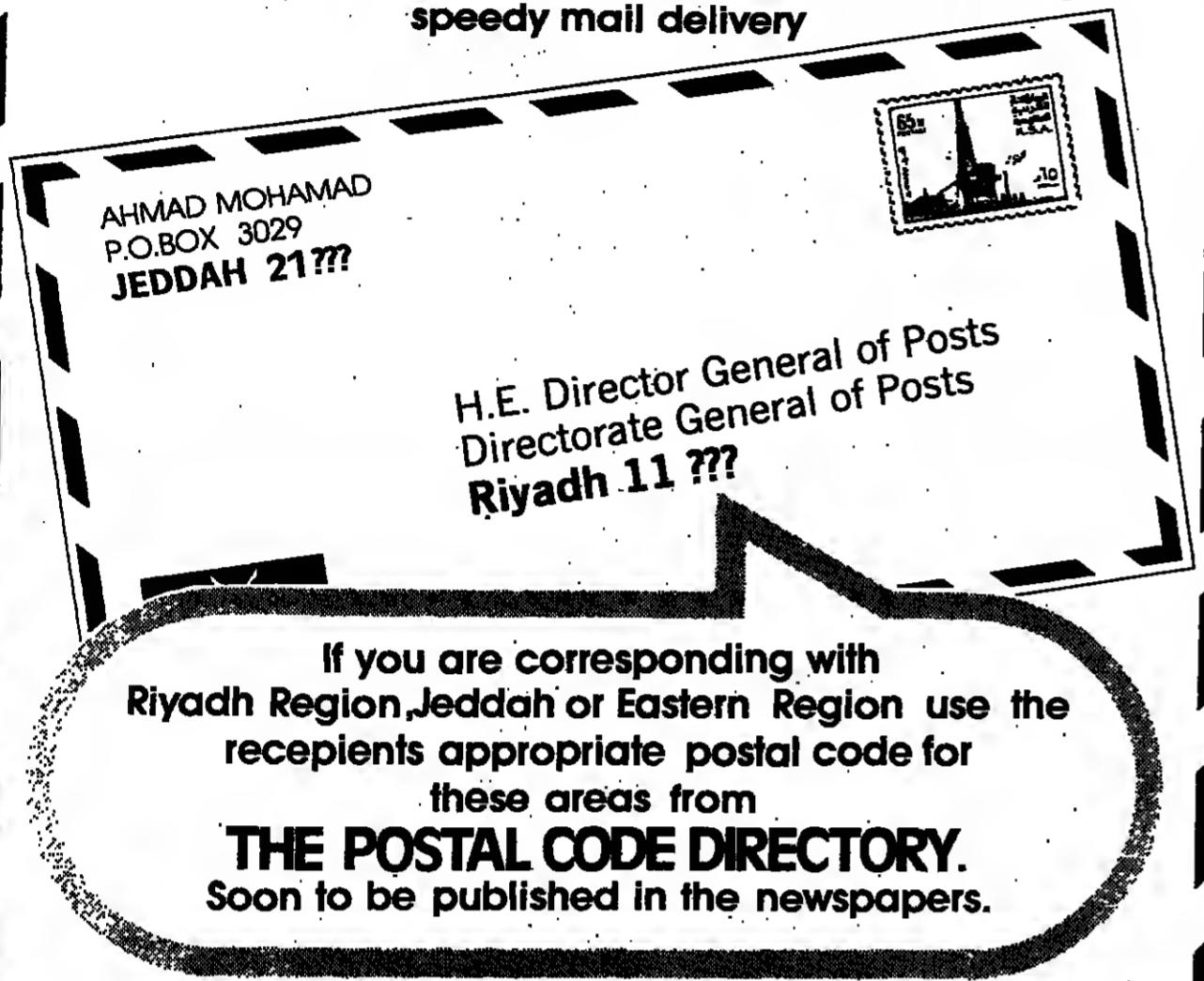
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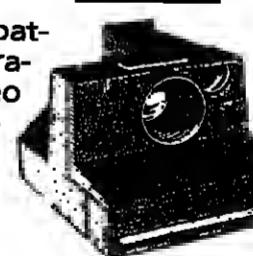
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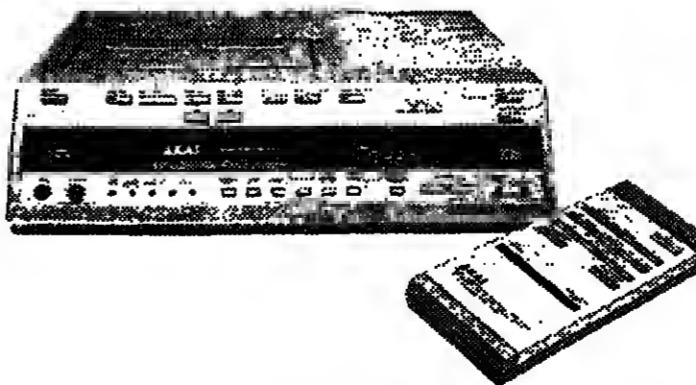
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Cambodia groups form coalition

SINGAPORE, June 18 (AP) — The three Cambodian resistance groups fighting the Vietnamese occupation of Cambodia have signed an agreement to form a coalition government, officials said Friday.

The officials, who are attending an Association of Southeast Asian nations foreign ministers meeting, added that between June 21 and June 23, the Khmer Rouge, the Cambodian People's National Liberation Front of former Prime Minister Son Sann and the Maulinika faction of Prince Norodom Sihanouk will meet formally in Kuala Lumpur to work out minor details and "reaffirm their signatures" to the pact.

At a date yet to be decided, they will go into the part of Cambodia their troops occupy

near the Thai border to launch their government on Cambodian soil, ASEAN officials said. In the new government, Sihanouk will be president, Kieu Samphan vice president and Son Sann prime minister.

The officials called the agreement a major step toward solving the Cambodian problem.

The Peking-backed Khmer Rouge, Son Sann's forces and the Moulinika faction had been holding talks on forming a coalition government, but progress during the past two years had been impeded by arguments on who should be president or prime minister and sharing power.

The officials said the main reason was the fear of both the Khmer Rouge and Son Sann's forces that they would be dominated

by the other.

These problems have been solved and the fears dispelled, leading to the agreement, the officials said. They didn't give any details of a cabinet formation.

ASEAN — made up of Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, the Philippines and Thailand — has been backing the formation of a coalition opposed to the Heng Samrin regime installed in Phnom Penh after the ouster of the Khmer Rouge by Vietnamese forces.

ASEAN has been holding its annual foreign ministers' meeting here, including talks with major trading partners. The officials who commented on the reported agreement asked not to be identified.

Indonesian Foreign Minister Mochtar Kusumaatmadja, in a speech during the Japanese-ASEAN dialogue Friday morning, said, "I understand from my colleagues from Thailand and Malaysia that there is some news, some new developments, to impart to this meeting." When questioned for details on the coalition, he did not elaborate.

Philippines Foreign Minister Carlos Romulo declined to say whether the Philippines had received any official word on the formation of a coalition, but added "if a coalition has been formed, full credit should go to the Thai foreign minister (Siddhi Savetsila)."

The ASEAN officials said that with the formation of the coalition Vietnam may be more ready for a negotiated settlement. The Khmer Rouge and Son Sann have troops in Cambodia near the Thai border.

ASEAN officials said the coalition will make it easier for the Khmer Rouge to retain Cambodia's seat in the United Nations. Vietnam has been trying to get the Cambodian seat for the Heng Samrin regime, and there were fears among ASEAN countries that the seat might be lost because of Western criticism of alleged butchery by the Khmer Rouge when they were in power.

Indian bandit surrenders

NEW DELHI, June 18 (AP) — One of India's most sought bandit leaders surrendered to authorities Thursday at a ceremony staged like a political rally with an audience of thousands.

Malkhan Singh, 38, climbed onto a specially built and decorated outdoor platform, kneeled before the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh state, then laid down his automatic rifle, revolver, dagger and bandolier of cartridges, according to news accounts of the event.

The crowd estimated as high as 25,000 chanted the names of Singh and 19 members of his gang who joined in the act of surrender at Bindh, a town in wild ravine and jungle country 300 kilometers southeast of New Delhi.

Malkhan Singh and his men were accused by police of more than 60 killings, kidnappings and burglaries over the past six years.

Before police took him away, Malkhan Singh was allowed to address the swelling throng, some of whom evidently regarded him as a Robin Hood who took the side of the poor against the authorities.

"I have wronged no one," he said, declaring that he took to the rugged, roadless ravine country, notorious for roving outlaw bands, as a result of a 1975 dispute in which the state took land away from the Hindu temple at his village. The government restored the land to the temple at Bindh village last weekend, paving the way for Singh's surrender, the United News of India reported.

Mass surrenders of bandit gangs have taken place from time to time since 1960, interspersed with bloody shootouts with police, often with heavy outlaw casualties.

Malkhan Singh carried total rewards of 75,000 rupees (\$7,500) on his head.

Behind district was the scene last October of a shootout with police in which Pan Singh, a former Olympic runner and Asian Games medalist turned bandit, and nine followers were killed.

Pan Singh was found dead in the back of the van on Wednesday with a seat belt wrapped

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Alaskans share oil wealth

U.S. Supreme Court this week.

The high court ruled that the state could not distribute its oil wealth based on a formula that would have awarded larger payments to people who lived in Alaska before it became a state in 1959.

Revenue commissioner Tom Williams said the earlier people applied for their distribution from the earnings of the \$3 billion Alaska Permanent Fund, the state's savings account, the sooner they will receive their dividend checks. Applications were being processed in the order they were received.

To qualify for a share of the state's bankroll, a person must be at least a six-month Alaska resident by Oct. 16, the deadline for submitting 1982 dividend applications.

Mozambique sentences 7 to death

white-ruled South Africa, and of free Africa, a related group said to operate from Malawi.

The men were accused of taking part in bombings, raids on villages and other guerrilla activities. The South African was identified as Wilson Chivaze Bila, 23. Two of the Mozambicans had held prominent positions in Frelimo, the black nationalist movement that fought Portuguese rule for 10 years before Mozambique became independent in 1975.

Basque found dead in police van

MAPUTO, Mozambique, June 18 (AP) —

A military court has sentenced six Mozambicans and a black South African to death for their role in guerrilla campaigns against the Marxist government of President Samora Machel.

Another Mozambican was sentenced to 12 years in prison, the court said in announcing the sentences Wednesday night. The men were described as members of the Mozambique National Resistance, which Mozambican authorities say is based in

around his neck while on his way to San Francisco Airport to be put on a plane bound for Madrid. He had been held in a detention center since last August as an illegal alien and his request for political asylum had been rejected.

Members of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service said he told a judge at a deportation hearing last March he could not return to Spain because he was a member of the Basque separatist organization ETA.

Police said Miguel Angel Uriagueurka, 26, had apparently committed suicide. The coroner's office said further tests would be made before a final report was issued.

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Delegation ends talks

Peking rejects plea for Tibet autonomy

PEKING, June 18 (AP) — A Tibetan delegation has concluded talks here on the return of the Dalai Lama, but Communist China refused its demand for the same autonomy and virtual independence promised to Nationalist China (Taiwan), the Foreign Ministry said.

China agreed, however, to negotiate the delegation's demand that Tibetan boundaries be changed to include more than 2.7 million Tibetans in Tibet, Sichuan, Qinghai and elsewhere, said foreign diplomatic sources, who asked to remain unidentified.

The three-man secret delegation left in early June after five weeks of political talks in Peking about Tibetan and Chinese preconditions for the return of the Dalai Lama. He and his followers fled to India in 1959 after the Chinese takeover of Tibet.

It was the first delegation sent by the Dalai Lama in about 20 months since a delegation led by his sister returned from Tibet with tales of the miserable life of the Tibetans in China.

China wants the Dalai Lama to return for the sake of unity, controlling a sometimes restive Tibetan population and legitimizing its own control over Tibet.

Zaire denies visas to lawyers

BRUSSELS, Belgium June 18 (AP) — Zaire has denied visas to two Belgian lawyers who wanted to defend 13 persons due to go on trial in Kinshasa Saturday charged with starting an opposition party.

Robert Goffin and Riegaauwen said they had hoped to defend 13 Zaireans who earlier this year founded the Union for Democracy and Social Progress, an opposition party to the regime of President Mobutu Sese Seko. They said their visa requests were turned down by the Zairean Embassy here.

Mobutu's People's Revolutionary Movement Party has ruled supreme since 1967 in Zaire, the former Belgian Congo. Zaire's constitution forbids the formation of opposition parties.

BRIEFS

JAKARTA, (AP) — President Suharto has recovered from a major operation to the prostate gland and will resume work on Monday, his doctors said. Suharto left the Guru Subroto Army Hospital Friday after undergoing surgery earlier in the week, the head of the presidential team of doctors reported. The operation was successful, Suharto was taken to the hospital last Sunday, five days after his 61st birthday.

LONDON, (AP) — A man threatening a knife was arrested Thursday night in the grounds of Buckingham Palace, Queen Elizabeth's official residence, police said. The 25-year-old man was spotted by a guard on sentry duty and held until police arrived. None of the royal family was staying in the palace at the time.

MOSCOW, (AP) — A high-ranking Soviet space official on Thursday denied that the Soviet Union successfully tested a shuttle-type space vehicle earlier this month. Albert Millisyn, chief of the Soviet Union's Space Mission Control center, told visiting reporters that "the craft in question was not a shuttle nor was it anything resembling a shuttle" — only an unmanned satellite of the kind that the Soviet regularly put into space.

RIO DE JANEIRO, (R) — A string of explosions killed 11 workers at a gunpowder factory Thursday near the northeastern city of Recife, the Jornal do Brasil news agency said. The cause was not yet known, the agency added.

CABO, Brazil (AP) — An explosion ripped through a factory in this northeast Brazilian town Thursday, killing at least 11 persons and injuring an unknown number, state police said. Police said the explosion occurred at a munitions factory belonging to the army. However, a spokesman for the army said the factory makes fireworks and does not belong to the army. The cause of the blast was under investigation.

Vienna, Austria (AP) — Actor Curt Jurgens, whose screen career spanned more than three decades and 160 films, died of heart failure Friday in a Vienna hospital, his physician said. He was 66. The German-born actor — whose credits included *The Inn of the Sixth Happiness*, *The Blue Angel* and *The Longest Day* — had been suffering acute heart trouble for some time.



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U.S. spacecraft probing mystery object

MOUNTAIN VIEW, California, June 18 (AP) — Two veteran U.S. spacecraft now probing the far reaches of the solar system are searching for a possible new and mysterious object, but scientists said they had no idea as to what it might be.

"It's very likely there's something out there," said John Anderson, who heads the project. "The question is, what will we find? That's impossible to predict. There's a whole range of possibilities... We're keeping an open mind."

Anderson suggested, then eliminated, several possible explanations for the object. His list included a 10th planet. He told a news conference at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Ames Research Center on Thursday that a planet seems unlikely since, to avoid detection, it

would have to be very dark and it is difficult to figure how that could happen.

The thinking is more on its being a star-type object of some kind," he said. Such a star, he said, would have to be dark since it has not been seen. That raises the possibility of "a brown dwarf," a cold star too small to have ignited the nuclear reactions that power the sun.

He said it could be a permanent part of the solar system billions of miles away or "it might be a visitor, a dark star that just happens to be in the neighborhood and will be moving on" after 100,000 years or so.

If the object is still farther away, he said, it might be the corpse of a dead star that collapsed into a neutron star where matter is so dense that if the earth were that dense it would fit into a thimble.

Three Caribbean leaders back U.S. aid plan

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP) — Three prime ministers from English-speaking Caribbean nations, responding to AFL-CIO criticism, said the administration's Caribbean basin development plan will not contribute to unemployment in the United States.

All expressed strong support for the initiative and said the United States itself stands to gain because a prosperous Caribbean will mean increased American exports to the region.

Prime Ministers Kennedy Simmonds of St. Kitts-Nevis, Eugenia Charles of Dominica and John Compton of St. Lucia outlined their views at a news conference.

China, which is revamping its policy in Tibet, has said the Dalai Lama may return as a religious leader. Visitors to Tibet describe the administration's program to develop the Caribean-Central America area through investment incentives, trade preferences and aid.

Most of the \$350 million in proposed

economic aid would be earmarked for Central America and Compton dismissed the \$10 million aid allocation for eastern Caribbean nations as an "absolute joke." But he said the trade and investment provisions of the program will stimulate the region's economies.

If the Congress were to defeat the program, this would give "aid and comfort" to leftist forces in the region which, he noted, have not done well at the polls in recent years.

Charles said that some members of Congress believe that Caribbean countries themselves don't support the initiative. "We are going to talk to committee members to show Congress that we do require it," she said.

Responding to criticism from organized labor that the program will export U.S. jobs to the Caribbean, Simmonds said, "factories closing in the United States would close anyway. The Caribbean initiative would make it possible for them to reopen elsewhere."

"Or we could go even farther out and have a black hole" — a region of space, perhaps the graveyard of a giant star, where nothing, not even light, can escape its gravitational pull. In fact, Anderson said, "there are problems with all these possible explanations."

Anderson, of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, is heading the new experiment by the two *Pioneer* spacecraft

that left earth a decade ago and are now farther from home than any working probe has ever gone. The spacecraft gave man his first close look at the planets Jupiter and Saturn and are now on opposite sides of the sun and moving away. The possibility of a large object beyond the planets has been discussed since the discovery of Neptune in 1846.

Salvadorans hit minister's helicopter

SAN SALVADOR, June 18 (R) — Leftist guerrillas said they shot down a U.S.-supplied Huey army helicopter carrying El Salvador's deputy defense minister.

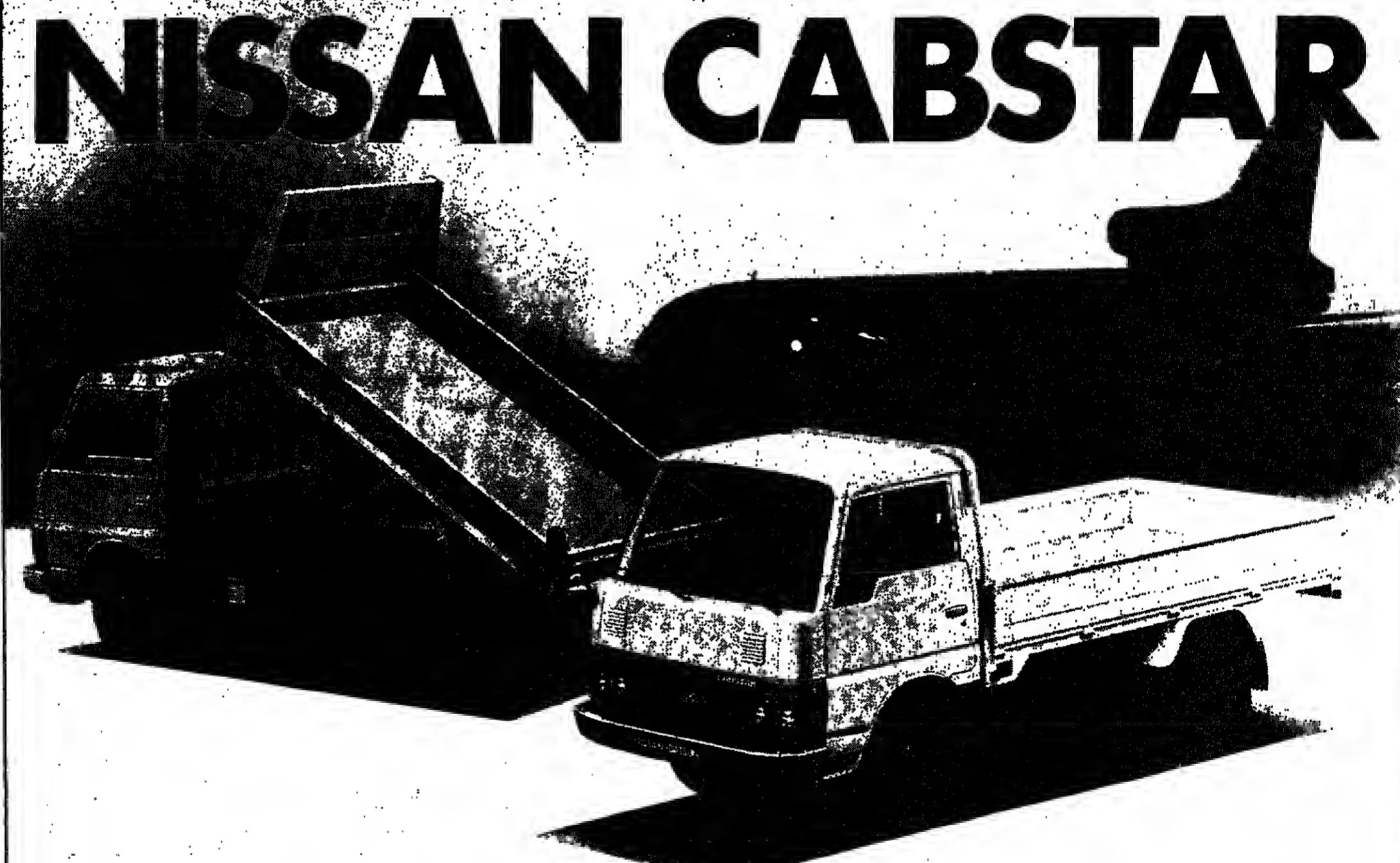
The guerrilla Radio Venegremos said Friday the helicopter crashed in the northeastern Morazan province, the scene of one of the biggest battles in El Salvador's three-year-old civil war. It said the helicopter plummeted to the ground with deputy defense minister Col. Eduardo Castillo aboard. Col. Salvador Beltran Luna, commander of the Morazan provincial garrison, was also on board, the radio said.

The radio did not say if the two military commanders survived the crash in Morazan, about 220 kilometers northeast of San Salvador. A Defense Department spokesman in San Salvador denied any knowledge of the incident. Reliable sources in the capital, however, confirmed the claim.

Before heading to Morazan earlier Thursday, Col. Castillo told reporters in the Pacific port of La Union that the fighting raging in Morazan was "fierce, very big."

He said the army had committed some 3,000 troops to fight 1,000 leftist guerrillas in one of the biggest anti-insurgent operations since the civil war began in 1979. The leftists hold the town of Perquin and the nearby San Fernando area and appear to be trying to drag the government's best forces to the rugged province to test their strength.

The fighting involved three U.S.-trained battalions, including one which returned from a three-month anti-insurgency course in the United States last month. Before leaving La Union for the northern Morazan front, the colonel said his forces were making favorable progress and had suffered few casualties.



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Ball in Congress' court

Compromise struck on U.S. budget plan

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP) — A Republican-drafted 1983 budget outline that cuts billions of dollars from domestic programs, raises taxes by about \$21 billion and was nearly \$104 billion in red ink is in the hands of the U.S. Congress.

House and Senate negotiators agreed early Friday to the \$769.8 billion compromise plan, leaving it up to the two chambers of Congress, the House of Representatives and the Senate, whether to approve the package of goals and targets for Congressional committees to follow.

Votes on the compromise between the outline adopted by the Senate last month and the package endorsed by the house last week are expected next week. U.S. President Ronald Reagan's signature is not required on the measure, but he is expected to support it because White House officials helped fashion it during meetings with leaders of the president's Republican Party.

It is likely the Republican majority in the

Senate will ensure passage of the package there. But in the Democratic-controlled house — which had rejected nine budget plans before approving one — Republicans must keep the support of conservative Democrats and Republicans, some of whom may balk at a deficit of more than \$100 billion.

Overall, the compromise tilts toward the more conservative house-passed plan, calling for \$5 billion more in spending than the original house version but cutting more than \$15 billion from the Senate plan.

The compromise plan includes cuts in hundreds of programs it calls for a reduction of \$3.6 billion in medicare, medical aid for the elderly, \$700 million in medicaid, medical aid for the poor; \$400 million in welfare; and another \$900 million in child nutrition and food stamps — a program which provides stamps which can be exchanged for food. Basic social security benefits for the elderly and handicapped are left untouched.

Spain's beaches lack cleanliness

MADRID, June 18 (R) — More than a third of Spain's beaches fall below World Health Organization (WHO) standards of cleanliness, the health ministry has reported.

It said 37 percent of Spain's beaches in 1981, including some in the popular Costa Del Sol and Costa Blanca, had bacteria levels in the water exceeding WHO standards. This showed no measurable change since 1980 and a large improvement over the 47 percent below standard in 1979, the report said.

The bacteria detected posed no special danger to health and the ministry was not recommending people to stay away, a ministry spokeswoman said. The report was aimed at municipal authorities who had responsibility for their beaches, she said.

The report measured only bacteria, not chemical or industrial waste, and the main area for improvement was in sewage disposal, she said.

EEC defends trade policy

SINGAPORE, June 18 (R) — The European Economic Community (EEC) Friday defended its record on trade protectionism in the face of appeals by fast-developing Southeast Asian nations to open fully its markets.

EEC Commission Vice-President Wilhem Haferkamp told the five member-states of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) in annual talks, the EEC should congratulate itself on resisting protectionist pressures.

"One day this might be described as one of the major political achievements of the seventies and eighties," he said in an opening speech.

"Contrary to the thirties, we did not resort to large-scale protectionism, competitive devaluations or beggar-thy-neighbor policies. We kept the international trading system open," he said.

ASEAN — Malaysia, the Philippines, Indonesia, Singapore and Thailand — had urged the EEC to allow fuller market access for ASEAN products.

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World Bank lends \$70m to Cameroon

WASHINGTON, June 18 (R) — The World Bank said it has approved a \$70 million, 11.6 percent loan for a highway project in Cameroon and \$21.3 million of interest-free credits for projects in Zaire and Rwanda.

The bank said Thursday Cameroon will use its loan to build the Edea-Yaounde section of the Douala-Yaounde road, the country's most important highway that links the capital at Yaounde with the industrial center of Edea and the Port of Douala.

Cameroon's \$220 million project will receive co-financing totaling \$91.5 million from Canada, the Netherlands, and a consortium of Kuwait and Abu Dhabi funds and the Islamic Bank. The 20-year loan to Cameroon includes five years of grace.

Zaire and Rwanda will receive credits of \$11.3 million and \$10 million, respectively, through the International Development Association (IDA), a World Bank affiliate for concessionary lending.

Zaire's credit will fund a \$39.3 million cotton production project and the credit for Rwanda will support an \$11.6 million project to train secondary school teachers in commerce and nursing, the bank said.

'State control spells doom'

Banking freedom secret of Swiss success

BERNE, June 18 (R) — The Swiss National Bank celebrated its 75th anniversary Friday with an appeal by its president, Fritz Leutwiler, for continued independence from the government.

Speakers paid tribute to its success in curbing both inflation and unemployment to an extent achieved scarcely anywhere else in the world. Swiss prosperity, as measured by gross national product per head, is rivalled only by Kuwait.

Since exchange rates were floated nine years ago, the national bank has become a dominant force in Swiss economic life. The government in Berne has relatively limited scope to inflate or slow the economy because of cumbersome decision-making processes and checks placed on its power by the federal constitution.

Leutwiler, who has headed the bank since 1974, listed the inflationary misfortunes which since the 18th century have befallen countries which allowed governments to control their money. Describing this as a nightmare, he said Switzerland would be best served if government power and monetary affairs remained separated.

But Leutwiler said Switzerland could only afford to have an independent central bank if the state continued to follow sound

budget policies. Swiss deficits in recent years have been modest by international standards, and last year the budget was almost balanced.

As a further precondition he specified well-functioning coordination and cooperation between government and central bank — both in practical and personal terms.

Although the national bank is based in the financial center of Zurich rather than the political capital of Berne, the country's small population of only six million makes close working relationships easier than in other countries, bankers attending the ceremony said.

Leutwiler also paid tribute to the backing of the overwhelming majority of the population who demand thrift from the state and a sound currency from the central bank, and who are willing to make their own contribution to these ends.

But every central bank finally has as much independence as it deserves he said. "Independence must be continually earned through performance in terms of stabilization policy and the confidence this wins from the government, parliament and the man in the street."

Alfred Sarasin, head of the Swiss Bankers' Association, said that although many

aspects of Swiss life are disparaged abroad, the soundness of the currency is universally praised. The national bank's independence from day to day politics has enabled it to adopt pragmatic and flexible policies which are frowned upon by doctrinaire economists but have so far been an undoubted success. However, many bankers feel this independence would be in jeopardy if inflation or unemployment ever looked like getting out of hand.

Much of the recent success has also depended on the strong personality of Leutwiler, today perhaps the most influential man in Switzerland, they say. His blend of salty humor, tough talking, financial expertise and apparently sincere concern for the less well off has made the national bank popular with Swiss of virtually all walks of life.

At the end of last year, he was appointed to the prestigious post of president of the Bank for International Settlements in Basle, the main role of which is to promote cooperation among central banks. The Swiss National Bank is owned by cantonal (regional) governments, cantonal banks and some 4,700 private shareholders. Before its foundation in 1907, banknotes were issued by a variety of regional banks.

Japan may lose \$1b on Iran project

Italy eases curbs on export credit

ROME, June 18 (R) — The Italian government said it eased restrictions on export related credit which it imposed last April in conjunction with measures to limit leads and lags in trade payments.

A foreign trade ministry spokesman said the government is also preparing a decree extending the permitted time allowed for the settlement of export bills to 90 days from 60.

The April measures reduced this period to 60 days from 120. The decree will be put into effect in the next few days, the spokesman said.

A circular issued to banks Thursday by the trade ministry and the monetary authorities allows them to extend the maturity of lire denominated pre-export credits to a maximum 8 months for exporters who cover at least 80 percent of the value of their exports with a foreign currency loan.

The previous maximum maturity for pre-export credits was 360 days.

TOKYO, June 18 (AP) — A Japanese official of a massive petrochemical project in southern Iran said Friday his company and the Japanese government stand to lose as much as \$10 billion yen (\$1.24 billion) if the troubled project is abandoned.

Karoku Yamaguchi, president of the Iran Chemical Development Co. (ICDC), a wing of the Mitsui group, said the \$3 billion Bandar Khomeini petrochemical project "has lost its feasibility." The Japanese "under no circumstances" will provide more money, he said.

The project, the largest ever undertaken by a Japanese company abroad, was started in 1973. Work was halted after the Iranian revolution began in late 1978 and was suspended again when the Iran-Iraq war broke out in September 1979.

Speaking at the foreign correspondents club of Japan, Yamaguchi said that each side has sunk \$10 billion yen into the project. If the Mitsui group pulls out without compensation from the Iranians, it would get about 168 billion yen (\$672 million) in insurance pay-

ment from the Japanese government for losses.

"It all depends on the Iranians," he said. The Iranian government and its National Petroleum Co. have strongly urged the Japanese to resume construction, but in negotiations over the past year the ICDC has asserted that it cannot provide any more capital, Yamaguchi said.

The ICDC is prepared to cooperate in non-financial ways to complete the plant once the Iran-Iraq war is over, he said.

He said construction costs, originally set at 130 billion yen (\$520 million), soared to 550 billion yen (\$2.2 billion) in 1975, after the first oil crisis, and ballooned again to 730 billion yen (\$2.9 billion) in 1979.

Total construction cost last year was estimated at more than one trillion yen (\$4 billion) with return on equity a negative 60 percent.

Yamaguchi said the Iranians frequently have threatened to find another partner if Japan backs out, and noted that the head of Iran's National Petroleum Co. is now visiting East Europe.

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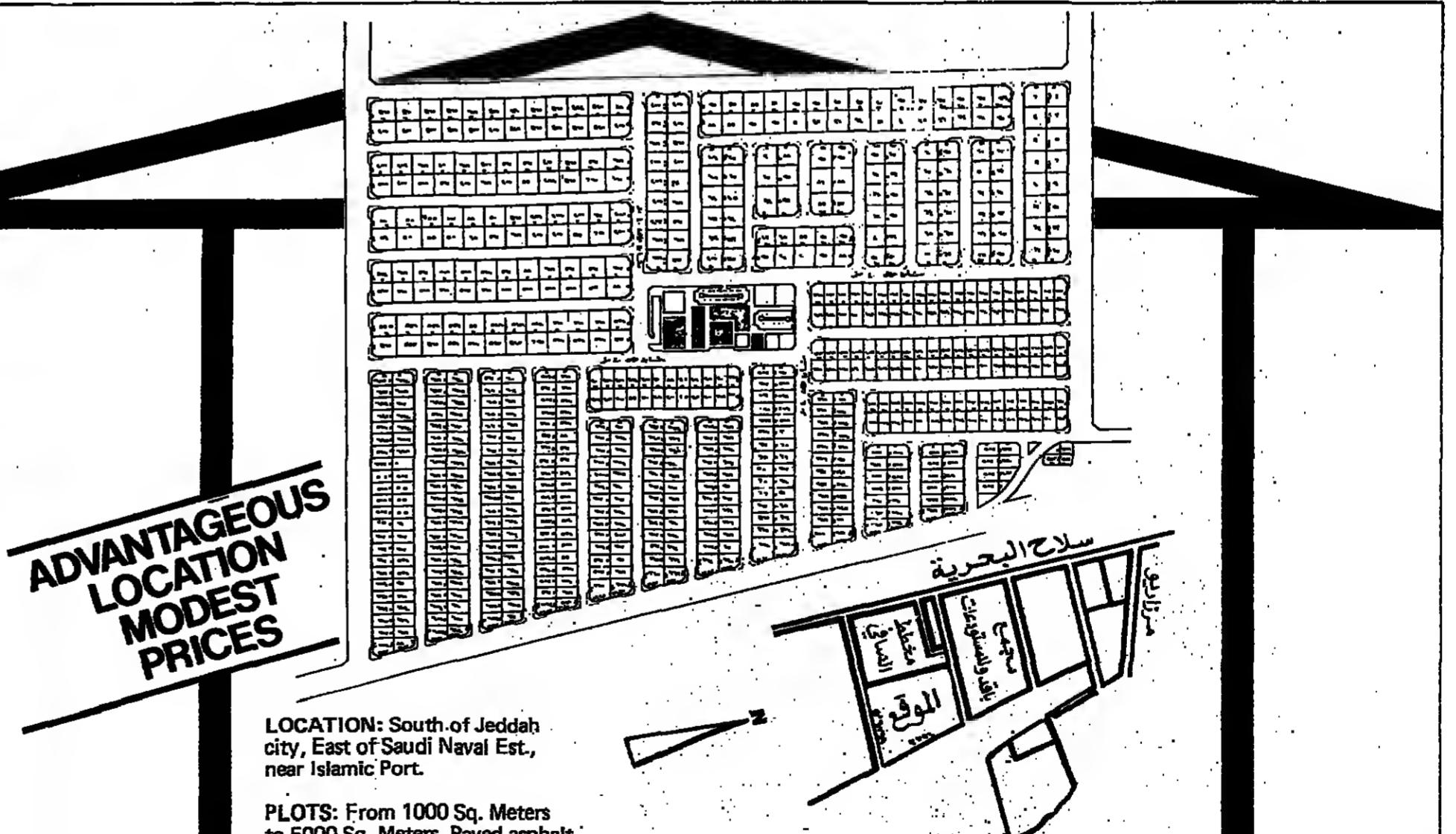
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Global oil price rise ruled out

WASHINGTON, June 18 (R) — British Petroleum chairman Peter Walters has said oil producers would probably hold prices at current levels well into next year unless there were major new problems in the Middle East.

He told exporters Thursday demand had fundamentally changed and although there would be some increase this autumn as European industry geared up from the summer holiday period, it would be similar to other years. "I do not see that the increased demand would be because of an improvement in economic conditions," he said.

In an interview with Reuters later, he said British Petroleum was preparing to deal with a poor economic environment and continued high interest rates for at least the next 12

Britain inflation mounts to 9.5%

LONDON, June 18 (R) — Britain's year-on-year rate of inflation rose slightly in May to 9.5 percent from 9.4 percent in April, mainly due to higher seasonal food and fuel prices, the Employment Department said.

The retail price index, base 1974, rose 0.7 percent after a 2.0 percent gain in April, slightly more than a 0.6 percent increase in May 1981, the department said. In May the index stood at 322.0 after 319.7 in April and 245.1 in May last year.

Meanwhile, Chancellor of the Exchequer Geoffrey Howe said in a speech at a U.S. bankers' lunch here that Britain's inflation trend is "clearly downwards". Inflation dropped sharply into single figures in April from a peak 22 percent in the wake of the 1979 oil hike, he said.

On Thursday Howe told parliament inflation could fall faster than forecast in his March 1982 budget. Then he predicted retail price inflation at nine percent by the year end, dropping to 7.5 percent by mid-1983. "But we could well make rather faster progress than that," he said.

Baldridge predicts GNP rising at 1%

WASHINGTON, June 18 (R) — Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldridge said inflation-adjusted gross national product in the second quarter will climb at an annual rate of 0.5 percent to 1.0 percent in the current quarter.

During the final six months of the year real GNP will climb at a four percent annual rate, Baldridge also said.

He told reporters his forecast of GNP growth assumed a gradual decline in interest rates, but that moderate growth was likely even if rates stayed at present levels.

Baldridge said the U.S. is still in recession but "I think the consumer is leading the way out." He noted that most economic indicators have been stronger in recent months and a good economic performance in June should combine with slower inventory liquidation to push up GNP in the second quarter. He said the inventory liquidation process should end in June.

Baldridge said factory orders should rise as a result of increased consumer spending this summer. But he admitted that no boom in capital spending by business was likely.

The latest Commerce Department survey estimates that inflation-adjusted capital spending will fall 2.4 percent this year, but Baldridge said the forecast was not realistic and would be revised downward. Business spending will probably fall between four and five percent this year, he said.

London stock market

LONDON, June 18 (R) — The fortnightly account closed on an easier note after a quiet session and at 1500 hours the Financial Times index was off 2.9 at 556.5.

The weakness reflected continuing concern over the higher trend in U.S. interest rates and domestic industrial unrest, including action in the health service and the threat of a national rail strike, dealers said.

Government bonds showed net falls ranging to 14 point and equity leaders eased up to 7p while North American stocks were generally lower, dealers added.

Gold shares were generally easier in slack trading, dealers said.

Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

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| Zurich | 307.75 |
| Hong Kong | 310.67 |

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| Quoted at 8:30 p.m. Thursday | | |
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| | Cash | Transfer |
| Bahrain Dinar | 9.13 | 9.11 |
| Bangladesh Taka | 16.00 | 13.55 |
| Belarus Franc (1,000) | 73.65 | 73.65 |
| Canadian Dollar | 269.00 | 269.00 |
| Deutsche Mark (100) | 141.00 | 140.40 |
| Dutch Guilder (100) | 120.00 | 120.00 |
| Egyptian Pound | 3.35 | 3.35 |
| Emirates Dirham (100) | 43.56 | 43.50 |
| Iraqi Dinar (100) | 51.00 | 50.70 |
| Greek Drachma (1,000) | 54.75 | 50.50 |
| Iranian Rial (1,000) | 36.20 | 36.20 |
| Italian Lira (1,000) | 25.40 | 25.00 |
| Japanese Yen (1,000) | 9.95 | 9.69 |
| Jordanian Dinar | 11.95 | 11.92 |
| Kuwaiti Dinar | 69.00 | 66.90 |
| Liberian Dollar (1,000) | 54.00 | 56.00 |
| Pakistani Rupee (1,000) | 28.74 | 28.74 |
| Philippines Peso (1,000) | 41.00 | 41.00 |
| Pound Sterling | 6.06 | 6.02 |
| Qatari Riyal (100) | 44.40 | 44.35 |
| Singapore Dollar (100) | 159.80 | 159.80 |
| Spanish Peseta (1,000) | 31.15 | 31.15 |
| Turkish Lira (100) | 163.00 | 162.60 |
| Syrian Lira (100) | 59.25 | 59.88 |
| U.S. Dollar | 3.44 | 3.432 |
| Venezuelan Bolivar (100) | 75.15 | 75.10 |

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Trade gains elude France in May too

PARIS, June 18 (R) — France's seasonally adjusted foreign trade deficit fell to 3.14 billion francs in May from April's record 10.16 billion deficit but was little changed on the 3.35 billion franc shortfall in May last year.

But they said a still soft market may mean the Arabs had to cut output so far that it would entail major financial sacrifice if an embargo is to be effective.

Libya, with Syrian and some Algerian backing, urged an embargo at an Arab oil ministers' meeting in Tunis Thursday. However, the meeting decided the issue should be left for an Arab summit.

He noted that a deadline for bids on oil search in Chinese territory was set for mid-August and he was certain a number of firms would seek to allow to take part. China is

so far been businesslike, constructive and optimistic — there is nothing that looks like a consensus.

"Debate has certainly shown that environmental protection is a very high priority for everyone at the meeting. There is general agreement that environmental matters cannot be left to individual governments but must be dealt with through an agreed package," he said.

He said that despite the presence of both Britain and Argentina at the conference "there has been no politicking of any kind."

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Unadjusted imports totaled 54.77 billion francs in May after 61.63 billion in April and 50.60 billion in May 1981.

For the first five months of 1982 France's adjusted trade deficit rose to 30.09 billion francs from 18.72 billion in the same period last year.

In unadjusted terms the trade deficit fell to 2.92 billion francs in May from 8.25 billion in April and 3.43 billion in May 1981, the ministry said.

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Rogers, Devlin share top berth

PEBBLE BEACH, California, June 18 (R) — British Open champion Bill Rogers and Australian veteran Bruce Devlin mastered the wind to share the lead with two-under-par score of 70 Thursday after the first round of the 82nd U.S. Open Golf Championship.

Both had to struggle for their score at the 6,791-yard Pebble Beach course on the rocky Monterey Peninsula jutting into the Pacific Ocean. Rogers notched four early birdies and two bogeys and parred the homeward nine, while 44-year-old Devlin, who seldom plays these days, had his ups and downs with an eagle, four birdies, two bogeys and a double-bogey.

With a few players still out on the course, only five other competitors had so far managed to break par — Danny Edwards, Bobby Clampett, Calvin Peete, Terry Diehl and James King all on 71. Fuzzy Zoeller, George Burns, Andy North, Dan Pohl, Jim Thorpe, Lynn Lott and Burch Baird were all at even-par, one ahead of a large group that included defending champion David Graham of Australia, Tim Kite and Britain's Peter Oosterhuis. Then at 74 came another big group featuring Jack Nicklaus and Tom Weiskopf.

The wind claimed some notable victims. Spain's Severiano Ballesteros came to the eighth tee two under par, only in double-bogey the next two. He then bogeyed three in a row from the 12th, triple-bogeyed the 403-yard 16th and let another stroke slip at the short 17th for an 81.

Ballesteros' playing partner Ray Floyd, another favorite, ran up a 78. So did Johnny Miller and South Africa's Gary Player, Jerry Pate took a 79, while Craig Stadler, Hale Irwin and Ben Crenshaw all had 76.

Earlier, Danny Edwards blew five shots in a stretch of four holes coming home, but managed to salvage an erratic, one-under-par 71 and shared the early lead with James King, a former tour pro and now a club pro in Miami.



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Homers galore sees Cubs record 4th straight win

NEW YORK, June 18 (AP) — Home runs by Bill Buckner, Jay Johnstone and Bump Wills powered the Chicago Cubs to a 12-8 National League victory over the Montreal Expos Thursday.

Pitcher Randy Martz joined in the 16-hit attack with a three-run double as the Cubs posted their fourth straight victory. Martz, however, wasn't around long enough to get the win, which went to reliever Mike Proly. 1-0. Buckner had four hits and Johnstone three.

After Johnstone homered in the first inning, Buckner singled, stole second and went all the way home on a wild pitch. Chicago scored six more runs in the third to take an 8-1 lead.

In another National League afternoon contest, Cesar Cedeno drove in two runs with a first-inning double to pace the Cincinnati Reds over the San Francisco Giants 4-2. Charlie Leibrandt, making his first start since May 17, was the winner, increasing his record to 3-1, while Rich Gale, 2-6, was the loser.

Gary Matthews' second home run of the

game, a solo shot in the 11th inning, powered Philadelphia to 4-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates, halting the Phillies' five-game losing streak. The Pirates played the game under protest after the Phillies were awarded a controversial double play in the bottom of the ninth following an umpire's mixup. Johnny Ray and Jason Thompson homered for Pittsburgh.

In the American League, Tony Bernazard and Steve Kemp combined to knock in seven runs, leading the Chicago White Sox to an 11-7 victory over the Oakland A's and a sweep of their three-game series. Bernazard hammered a three-run double and later scored in the third inning, then singled home a run in the fourth and scored on Kemp's double. Kemp singled in two of Chicago's

three runs in the fifth.

Right-hander Mike Torrez blanked Cleveland on four singles for 82-3 innings and Dave Stapleton slugged his seventh home run as the Boston Red Sox snapped a three-game losing streak with a 6-3 victory over the Indians.

Ned Yost tripled in the 11th inning and scored on a two-out error by Detroit shortstop Alan Trammell to give the Milwaukee Brewers a 3-2 victory over the Tigers.

In late AL games, Don Baylor and Bobby Grich each drove in three runs and Rod Carew extended his hitting streak to 21 games as the California Angels pounded Toronto 80-8 to move into first place in the American League west. Grich had a three-run homer and Baylor an RBI single in California's six-run third inning.

Buddy Bell hit a three-run double to highlight Texas' four-run third inning, and the Rangers rolled to a 5-1 victory over the Seattle Mariners. Rangers left-hander Kirk Hometcy, 2-7, scattered eight hits for the victory.

Shastri gives Indians fine start

CAMBRIDGE, England, June 18 (AP) — Ravi Shastri scored 85 not out Thursday as the Indian cricket team began a two-day match against the Combined Universities.

The Universities declared at 288 for seven.

Shastri then scored his runs in two hours out of a total of 146 for one. The match ends Friday. Five regular players were missing from the Indians' team. The Universities had Derek Pringle, who was in the England side that beat India in the first Test match at Lord's earlier this week.

But the Universities' batsmen who took most runs off the Indian bowling were Richard Ellis, who made 90, and Robin Boyd-Moss, who hit 63. Ellis was unlucky to get out on 90 when Yadav brought off a superb return catch. Ellis and Boyd-Moss made 156 for the second-wicket. Yadav, the Indians' most successful bowler, took five wickets for 107 in 28 overs. Pringle was another of Yadav's victims, caught and bowled for 22.

The Indian opening pair, Shastri and Pranab Roy made 50 runs before Roy was bowled by Pringle. Shastri then carried on in fluent style and Gavaskar, his new partner, helped with 31 not out.

Marty Davis ends Smith's winning run

BRISTOL, June 18 (AP) — Jonathan Smith, the British No. 3 from Exeter, failed to reproduce the form he had shown in earlier rounds as he made his exit from the Lambert and Butler Tennis Championships, here Thursday.

The 27-year-old Smith, who Wednesday handily defeated fourth-seeded John Sadri, lost 6-3, 6-1 to another American, Marty Davis, in 31 minutes. It was an uphill struggle all the way for Smith as he dropped his serve in the second game.

Davis, a 23-year-old Californian, played a bold attacking game giving Smith very few chances to make an impact. Smith was having problems with his first serve and Davis was given plenty of opportunity to force the pace.

Tim Mayotte, the eighth seed and the only one left in the singles, struggled. The 21-year-old American, a quarterfinalist at Wimbledon last year, beat Brazilian Joao Soares 2-6, 6-2, 7-6 and now lines up in the semifinal against Russell Simpson, the New Zealand No. 2.

Simpson overcame Spain's Jose Lopez-Mesa 7-5, 6-3 and John Alexander, the 30-year-old Australian Davis Cup player, beat Matt Tidwell of America, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4 to earn a semifinal place against Davis.

Meanwhile, Syd Ball, of Australia, qualified for Wimbledon for the fourth time in six attempts after a marathon match Thursday. Ball beat fellow countryman Greg Whitecross 6-8, 6-3, 7-6, 6-4 after three hours 48 minutes in the final qualifying round at Lord's earlier this week.

In the first set tie-break, Ball was so incensed by one call from London umpire Peter Arnott that he called for referee Alan Mills to intervene, before having the point ruled in his favor.

Ball said later "There were a lot of bad calls and you just lose confidence in the umpire when that happens. But I am really pleased to have got through to be part of the Wimbledon scene again."

India's Vijay Amritraj, a Wimbledon quarterfinalist last year, and the best known of the 16 qualifiers, has been drawn against American Jeff Borowiak in the first round of the men's singles at Wimbledon on Monday while South African Brett Piron, who joined the qualifiers as a lucky loser, will face third seeded Vitas Gerulaitis of the United States.

Baseball standings

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| Eastern Division | | Western Division | | Eastern Division | | Western Division | | | |
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| Boston | 38 | 23 | .623 | 11 1/2 | St. Louis | 21 | .35 | .373 | 12 1/2 |
| Detroit | 35 | 27 | .563 | 1 1/2 | Montreal | 15 | .50 | .231 | 23 |
| Baltimore | 31 | 28 | .525 | 6 | New York | 31 | .25 | .597 | — |
| Milwaukee | 32 | 29 | .525 | 6 | Philadelphia | 32 | .27 | .542 | 3 1/2 |
| New York | 29 | 29 | .500 | 7 1/2 | Pittsburgh | 27 | .31 | .466 | 8 |
| Cleveland | 29 | 30 | .492 | 8 | Chicago | 25 | .39 | .391 | 13 |
| Toronto | 28 | 35 | .444 | 11 | Atlanta | 38 | .23 | .623 | — |
| | | | | | San Diego | 34 | .26 | .567 | 3 1/2 |
| | | | | | Los Angeles | 32 | .32 | .500 | 7 1/2 |
| | | | | | San Francisco | 28 | .36 | .438 | 11 1/2 |
| | | | | | Cincinnati | 27 | .35 | .435 | 11 1/2 |
| | | | | | Houston | 26 | .36 | .419 | 12 1/2 |



DOUBLE CHAMPS: Faiz Muhammad (left) and Zahid Ali Khan, the SAMCO pair, which scored a grand double in the Double-Wicket Cricket Tournaments.

other close quarterfinal clashes. The eventual runners-up scraped up a two-run win over Wajeed and Ijaz Khan of Indian Blues while Pak Jeddah's Adnan and Tajmul got past JCC's Shafiq and Aqeel by an identical margin.

Abdul Qadir Al Bassam, representing Muhammad Abdullah Hashim, presided over the prize distribution function. David Howell of Abdullah Hashim also spoke on the occasion and reminded fans that the Hashim Cricket League will be on schedule

next season.

Following are the award winners: Best batsmen: Tarik (Abdullah Hashim) and Faiz (SAMCO); Best bowlers: Moin Mirza (Trans) and Saleem (GENTEC); Record partnership: Wajeed and Ijaz Khan (Indian Blues — 46 runs); 30 runs and above: Wajeed (Indian) and Humayun Zaheer (Pak Young); Best fielders: Nadeem, Farid (both SAMCO), Aqeel (JCC), and Farooq (Pak Young); Best wicketkeeper: Jamid Rana (Pak Jeddah).

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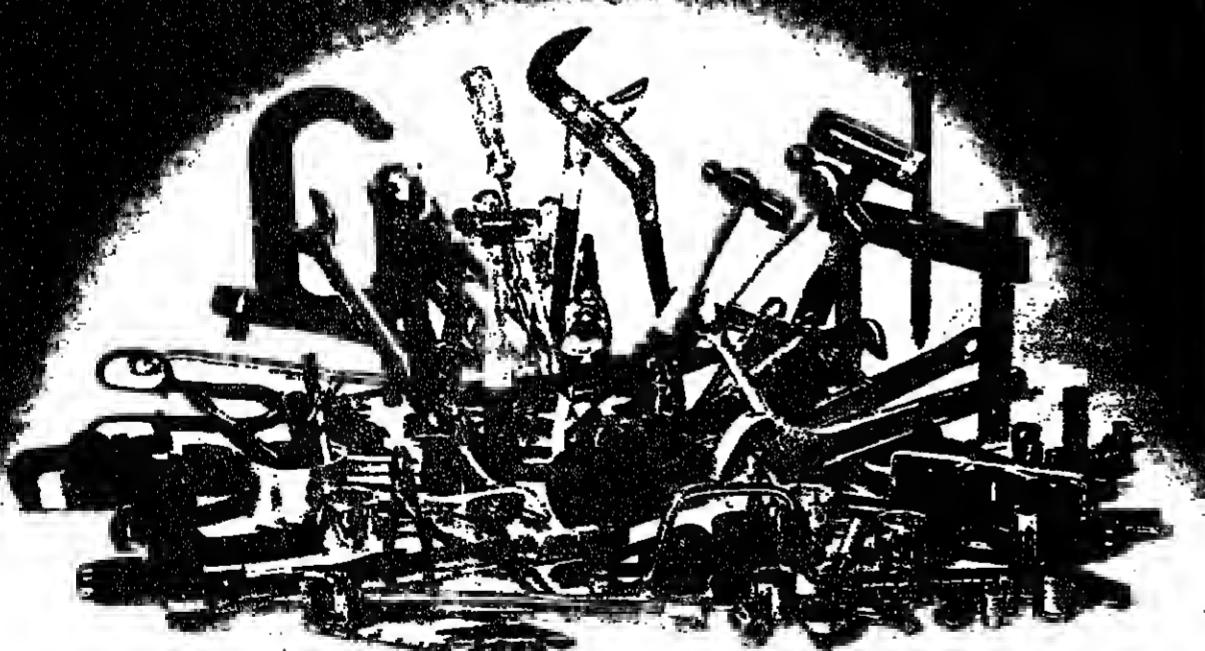
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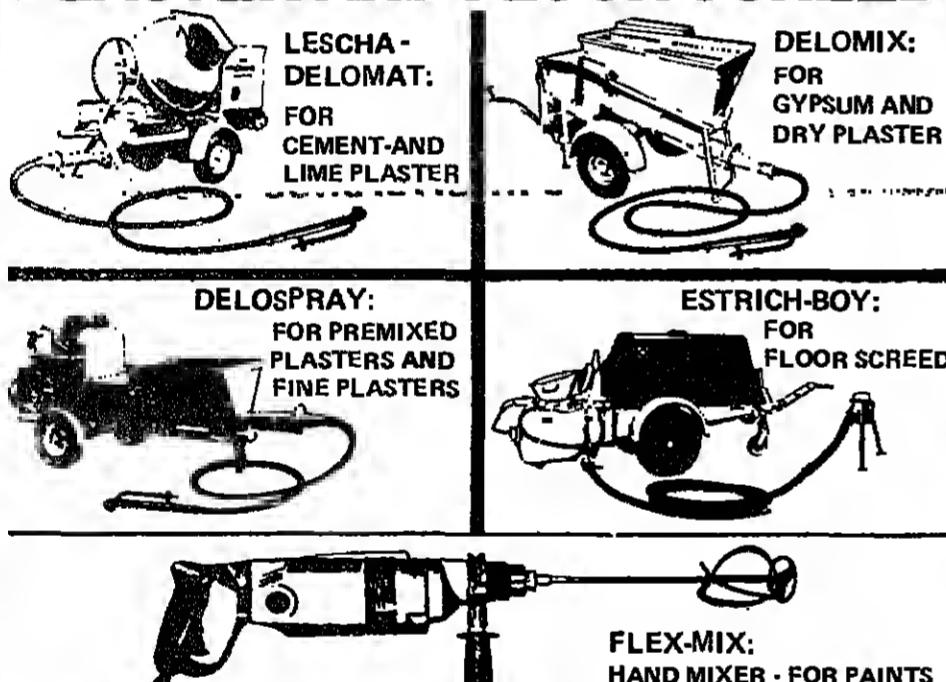
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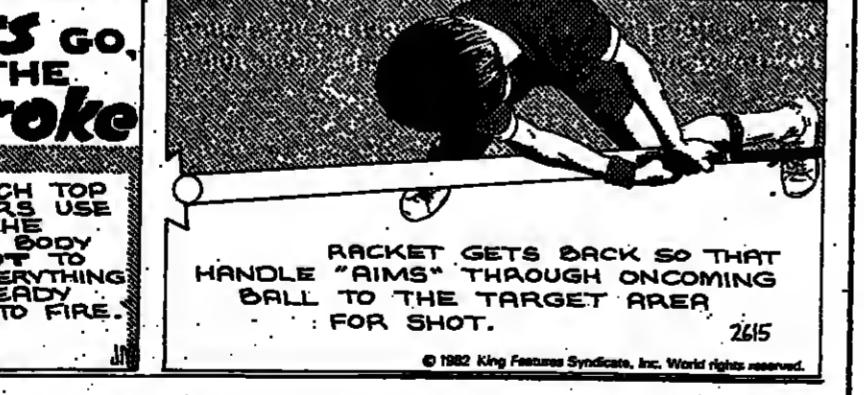
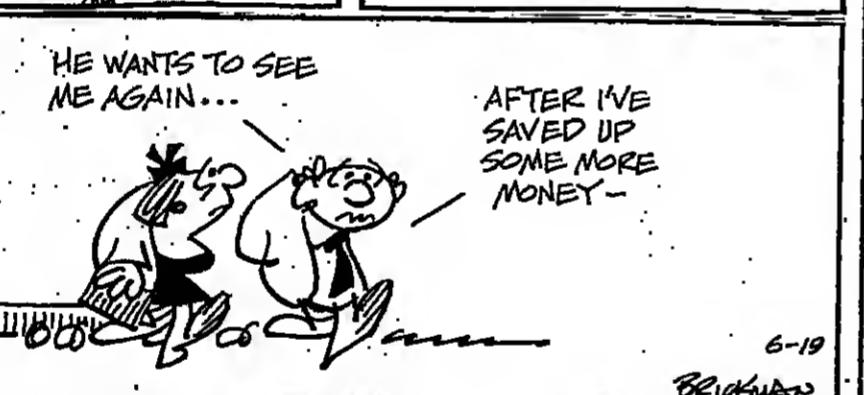
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10:30 Program Preview/Songs

10:45 Weekly Arabic Series

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Tuesday 5:00 Holy Quran

5:15 Hads and Tafs

5:30 Mr. Merlin

6:00 Bedtime Stories

6:35 Documentary

7:00 Roll Harris Show

7:20 Islamic Horizons

7:40 Eight is Enough

8:10 How's Your Father

9:05 Store Front Lawyers

10:00 World News

10:30 Classic Film

Wednesday 4:00 Quran

4:20 Religious Talk

4:45 Children's Series

5:00 Religious Program

5:30 Daily Arabic Series

6:00 Arabic News

6:30 Local Musical Program

6:30 Traditional Programs

9:50 Arabic Series

10:25 Arabic Film

Thursday 6:00 Program Preview

6:30 Meppet Show

6:45 Saudi Family Robinson

7:00 News

7:30 Stanford and Son

7:55 Quincy

8:50 The Runways

9:40 Rockford Files

9:55 News Summary

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'Soviet pledge unmatched'

Reagan disappoints U.N. envoys

UNITED NATIONS. June 18 (R) — President Ronald Reagan's failure to respond to a Soviet pledge not to be the first to use nuclear weapons in war left many disappointed United Nations delegates Friday.

But they got some relief from his promise that his administration, never considered particularly pro-U.N., would continue to pay 25 percent of the world body's bills. "American financial support has not and will not decline," despite current retrenchment in Washington, he said at a lunch given for him by Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Many delegates hoped the president's four-hour U.N. visit, his first here, would apply a powerful impetus to the movement for disarmament, the subject of the current special session of the General Assembly.

In the event, he made no attempt to match the no-first-use pledge relayed by Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko on Tuesday in a message from President Leonid Brezhnev to the U.N. Much of Reagan's address to the assembly was a repetition of known American proposals, coupled with tough language about the Soviet Union, its policies and actions.

In that respect, he matched Gromyko, who was as offensive to the United States in his remarks three days ago. The foreign minister and other Soviet delegates listened glumly as Reagan delivered his 25-minute address in a less-than-full assembly hall. Neither they nor the delegates of Cuba or Libya joined in the brief applause for the president.

Asked to comment afterward, Oleg Troyanovsky, the chief Soviet delegate, who speaks perfect American English having attended primary and secondary school in the United States. Declined, because "I might not be able to control my feelings."

Reagan and Troyanovsky shook hands perfunctorily before going in to the secretary-general's lunch, but the president made no attempt to engage the Soviet delegate in conversation as he did with several other diplomats. Foreign Minister Bohuslav Chonopek of Czechoslovakia termed the assembly speech "very bad."

Delegates from Third World countries generally demonstrated their nonalignment by reserving public comment, but they left the impression that they hoped for more than Reagan delivered and, therefore, were disappointed by the speech. However, Perez de Cuellar termed it a "most heartening statement."

A senior American government official said the president had not gone to the U.N. seeking "public relations kudos" or debating points. The speech was intended to make the American negotiating approach understood by other U.N. members.



DIPLOMATIC POSTURE: Although reported to have disagreements over United States diplomatic posture before the United Nations, U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig and U.N. Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick strike similar poses as they listen to President Reagan's address in the General Assembly Thursday.

Moscow sees 'distortions'

MOSCOW, June 18 (AP) — The official Soviet news agency Tass said Friday that U.S. President Ronald Reagan resorted to distortions and repeated "absurd rumors" during his speech to the special session of the U.N. General Assembly on disarmament.

The commentary from New York said it was "difficult to take seriously" Reagan's call for international restraint, given the American actions in the Caribbean, Southeast Asia and the Middle East.

"As a matter of fact," Tass wrote, "the president's speech boiled down to rhetorical justifications of the policy of the United States aimed at undermining detente and aggravating international tension."

Tass further contended that Reagan had "grossly distorted" the policies of the Soviet Union, jugged data about Soviet and American military expenditures, and "repeated absurd rumors" about the alleged Soviet use of chemical weapons.

The news agency said Reagan's charge that the Soviet Union had violated the Geneva protocol outlawing the use of chemical weapons was actually intended to "hide well-known violations" of the same protocol by the United States.

A separate commentary distributed by the Novosti news agency said Reagan's speech was "certainly a disappointment," lacking in new ideas.

"President Reagan's statement before the

U.N. General Assembly once again puts doubt on the U.S. government's proclaimed desire to work for peace and disarmament. What he outlined was not an agenda for peace but an agenda for confrontation," the commentary said.

Another lengthy Novosti commentary included a rare positive comment about Reagan's speech, saying that the American leader "proposed a number of measures which might promote confidence." It did not elaborate.

73 Filipinos die in ferry mishap

ZAMBOANGA CITY, Philippines, June 18 (R) — At least 73 persons died and many were missing after a passenger ferry caught fire in the shark-infested Sulu Sea off the southern Philippines Thursday night, the Coast Guard said Friday.

The Defense Ministry said in Manila that 82 persons were believed missing, but the Coast Guard said it was not clear how many passengers and crew were on board the 497-ton Queen Helen which was licensed to carry 700 persons. It said 334 persons had been rescued mostly by fishermen and passing boats.

Earlier reports said the ferry had sunk but the operating company said the smoldering vessel was being towed back to Zamboanga City, from where it left Thursday night bound for Jolo Island, about 100 miles to the south.

The Red Army is now believed to number less than 50, all living in exile in the Mideast or in North Korea.

2 Japanese to die for 14 murders

TOKYO, June 18 (AP) — Two former Red Army leaders charged with killing 14 fellow radicals in a series of "ruthless" criminal acts were sentenced to death Friday. The Tokyo district court also sentenced a lower-ranking third member, charged with eight counts of murder, to 20 years in prison.

Closing the trial, which took nearly 10 years, Chief Judge Takeo Nagano gave the death penalty to Hiroko Nagata, 37, and Hiroshi Sakaguchi, 35. The lengthy prison term went to Yasuhiro Uegaki, 33.

The prosecution, which demanded the death penalty for Miss Nagata and Sakaguchi and life in prison for Uegaki, called the crime "the most heinous" in Japanese legal history.

Among other charges, the three were on trial for the murder of 14 fellow radicals between August 1971 and February 1972, when the leftist radicals known as Rengo Settoku (the United Red Army) eluded police in numerous hideouts.

The prosecution argued that the 14 men and women were subjected to "revolutionary kangaroo trials" for alleged deviation from the group's ideology or because they allegedly wanted to quit the movement. Most were said to have been beaten, tied up and left without food to die in freezing temperatures.

In addition, two policemen and one bystander were killed in February 1972 during a 10-day police siege on a mountain villa, where five Red Army members, including Sakaguchi, were held up with a hostage. The events of the siege were covered live on television.

The judge called the crimes "ruthless" and said the group also robbed banks to finance what they hoped would be a "revolutionary coup" in Japan. Sixteen group members were indicted. Nine are serving prison terms ranging from four to 20 years.

One committed suicide in jail in 1973. Another was released from prison and escaped from the country as part of a deal to secure the release of hostages after Red Army members took over the U.S. and Swedish embassies in Kuala Lumpur in August 1975. Two others are appealing their sentences.

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Finns sight alien sub

HELSINKI, June 18 (AFP) — Finnish Coast Guards Friday spotted an unidentified foreign submarine off Aland Island, situated in the Baltic Sea between Finland and Sweden. The authorities said the submarine left the Gulf of Bothnia for international waters after Coast Guards fired charges.

U.K. navy fights defense cut

LONDON, June 18 (AP) — British field marshals and admirals, bolstered by the victory in the Falkland Islands, have returned to an older battle: Fighting government defense cuts that would have made the South Atlantic campaign impossible if the Argentine invasion had come just a few months later.

"We need more ships, not less," a naval intelligence officer, who asked not to be identified, told the Associated Press. "The Falklands operation could not have been waged without the navy."

The dispatch of Britain's biggest fleet since World War II has rekindled debate between armed services chiefs demanding large conventional forces and politicians who favor concentration on a NATO-based nuclear submarine deterrent.

Defense Secretary John Nott, architect of the phasenot of a big blue-water navy, said this week in a BBC television interview: "There are a huge number of lessons to learn

Seychelles to select jury

VICTORIA, Seychelles, June 18 (AP) — Chief Justice Earle Seaton Friday rejected a defense lawyer's motion that an impartial jury could not be found for six foreigners charged with involvement in last November's aborted coup attempt.

It was the second snub for Nicholas Fairbairn, a member of Britain's Parliament and former Solicitor General of Scotland. Earlier, he unsuccessfully argued that the country's treason law did not apply to foreigners.

Jury selection would begin next Monday when pleas are to be taken from the defendants — three South Africans, two white Zimbabweans and a Briton.

Fairbairn maintained that news reports and the findings of a United Nations investigative commission on the Nov. 25 coup bid had prejudiced islanders who would be chosen for jury duty.

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